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Amery Repeats Old Formula In New Offer

"Anxious To See Deadlock Ended"

But Congress Must Satisfy Govt. Nothing Will Be Done To Impede War Effort!

WANTS GANDHIJI TO GIVE LEAD TO COLLEAGUES

"There must be some indication to co-operate with the war effort and to work out a peaceful evolution of the Indian situation", said Mr. L. S. Amery to D. F. Karaka, the "Chronicle" War Correspondent now in London when the latter asked him what 'new circumstances' would justify the re-opening of the issue of Indian freedom.

From D. F. KARAKA, "Chronicle" War Correspondent

LONDON, March 16.

"You have certainly had a generous ration", the Private Secretary said to me as I came out after a full hour with the one man who presides over that bleak dark grey building in Whitehall known as India Office.

Leopold Amery is a short man. That is the first thing about him one notices. There are strange markings on his face which is almost square. The way he sits on his high-backed chair and grips its arms is typical of that rigid, inflexible stand he has maintained in his policy towards India. His eyes are small and he wears a look of precision as if his face was a mathematical formula. Yet with all this grim determination, which is written all over him he is extremely gentle and courteous and what is even more amazing is that with all his outward self-assurance he is vulnerably sensitive.

TRIBUTES TO INDIAN SOLDIER

The moment I entered the room Mr. Amery set the pace of the interview. He focussed the conversation on Imphal, in days of the siege. He spoke of the vast advance we had made in Burma and how the military situation had improved from those days till today. Our armies had reached Mandalay. He referred to the great fighting qualities of the Indian soldier and how interested he was in Indian Divisions that he had visited in Italy. In between he would digress on an incident or two and in that polished manner of his he would ask my opinion on one or two points. This he would do with so perfectly suavely that I was almost tempted to let myself believe that he was really canvassing my opinion.

UPPERMOST PROBLEM.

Then I pulled myself together and as soon as I got a chance I said to him "Frankly, sir, I am not interested in the Indian soldier nor in the fighting in Burma.

Ten minutes have gone and I soon I will be whisked out of the room. The question I really came to ask you and the answer to which is very important to many of us is—Where do we stand today? What chance is there for the political situation to improve?"

I told him what was uppermost in the minds not only of the great majority of those, who were politically-minded in India but also of the thinking Indians in the Services who, while they were fighting so brilliantly still had a certain political consciousness which made them want to know the answers to the same questions.

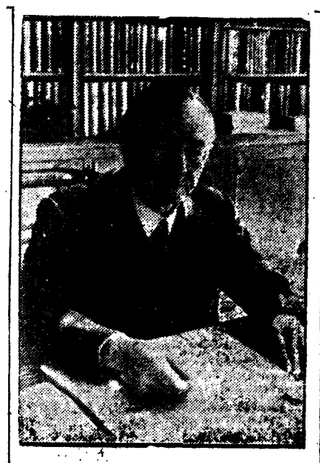
PRESENT NEGATIVE POSITION

I tried hard to convince him that the present negative position was doing neither country any good, that the bitterness was growing in India and that while Britain got everything it needed in men and material, it still lacked what it wanted—the moral support of the country as a whole. I pointed out that if these moral values were not important Britain would not be spending thousands of pounds on propaganda in the United States to justify Britain's policy towards India. Finally, I added, "My object is not to file something that will create more bitterness. There is enough of that already. But if out of something you may say today the present deadlock can be ended it would be worth all the interviews I have done put together. I can only try."

AMERY SPEAKS

Mr. Amery then spoke. He spoke in earnest and with a sincerity which was compelling. The first important point he made was that unless a constitution was arrived at in India by a broad measure of agreement, people would not work it. The emphasis was on the evolution of a constitution or formula by the Indians themselves on which there would be substantial Indian agreement. He spoke of the change in the attitude of Parliament towards the Indian question during the last ten years. He said: "I have noticed it myself. Of course the contribution of India to the war effort has strengthened that feeling but it has been there already before the war. There is a genuine feeling in the House today to give India her place along with the other nations of the world—within the Commonwealth or if she wishes, outside it.

But before anything can be done to give expression to that feeling there must be substantial Indian agreement on the Constitution which would lead to that complete freedom. There is, you will understand, a natural reluctance to impose another constitution."



Mr. Amery

CRIPPS OFFER

His mind went back to the Cripps Offer. "Even in those days when Sir Stafford Cripps worked indefatibagly the Muslim League and Congress made no attempt to meet," said Amery.

He paused then and added, "You realise we must get Indian help in this matter. I have declared half a dozen times since then that the door is still open but except for the Sapru Committee very little effort has been made in India to arrive at any substantial measure of agreement on what shape or form that new constitution should take.

Nor has there been any response to the offer made three years ago either with regard to the ultimate constitution or the interim administration. The Cripps offer was in answer to the charge that we were trading on Indian disagreement."

OFFER STILL STANDS

"How does the offer stand to-day? I asked.

"The offer still stands", he replied. The essential principles, he quoted the Prime Minister, saying "the offer still stands in its full scope and integrity." He pointed out that the breakdown of the Cripps negotiations was on the question of the Viceroy's veto. An assurance was asked for that this right of veto would be the same as that of a constitutional monarch.

"This could not possibly be given for it would mean that an interim Government would have power to lay down the future constitution which would not be fair to the minorities."

I then referred to Lord Wavell's refusal to see the Mahatma on the ground that no new circumstances had arisen to justify their meeting. I asked Mr. Amery "What would you consider as sufficient to constitute these new circumstances?"

INDICATION DEFINED

Mr. Amery was quick in his reply. He said "There must be some indication to co-operate with the war effort and to work out a peaceful evolution of the Indian political situation." I think he used it rather in the meaning of "friendly" as distinct from "non-violent."

Earlier he had expressed the view that he was opposed to coercion, however non-violent.

I said "It is felt in India that it is not possible for the Congress while still behind bars to review the situation anew."

"It is perfectly easy for them to give an indication", Mr. Amery said. He added "They see the newspapers. They know what is going on."

I asked, "But how can they meet or speak as a body when it is not even legal for the Congress to meet? Mahatma Gandhi is the only one out of jail and even he has been freed purely on medical grounds."

"Mr. Gandhi could give the lead", Mr. Amery said to my astonishment and for the first time I could see that little light through the open door. He added "Mr. Gandhi has spoken for the party before. The Congress has also its members in the legislatures."

I put it more precisely and asked, "Would it be sufficient if there was an indication or an assurance that at least for the duration of the war the Congress does not intend to resort to civil disobedience?"

"I will not go into details", Mr. Amery cautiously said. There was a slight pause. His eyes were fixed on the ground and he was thinking. Suddenly he turned to me and said "It would certainly be very helpful. But the Government of India would no doubt need also to be satisfied that nothing would be done to impede or injure the war effort in India by direct opposition or by attempts to dislocate the economic situation."

He said one more thing and he said it with sincerity. His words were "I am as anxious as you are to see the deadlock ended."

As I left the India Office and walked down King Charles Street, I turned back and looked round the row of houses at the end of which stood the sombre, bleak, unadorned office of the Secretary of State for India. There was nothing impressive about it except its bleakness. Yet this was the house, wrapped in cobwebs of tradition, wherein, more than in the Lutyen-designed palace of the Viceroy at New Delhi, more than in the spacious lawned Government Houses of Bombay and Madras and Calcutta, was shaped the destiny of a fifth of the world.

Its door was still open.

WAVELL TO VISIT BRITAIN?

LONDON, March 15.—Lord Wavell is expected to come to London in the near future for political and private discussions with Prime Minister Churchill and the British cabinet, members among the Indian Delegation to the Commonwealth Relations Conference anticipated to-day.

The India Office Information Section, when approached for confirmation, said there was no information on the subject, but it did not preclude the possibility if it was desired either by him or high authorities particularly, as provision for such a visit has been made recently in the Miscellaneous Provisions Bill passed by Parliament.—U. P. A.

RIBBENTROP'S PROTEGE MADE PEACE FEELERS

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 16. (Reuter): The German envoy who made the reported German peace feelers to the British Legation in Stockholm was, according to a usually reliable source, a Foreign Office protege of Ribbentrop named Hesse who had been sent specially from Berlin.

PROBING GERMAN PEACE FEELERS!

LONDON March 16. (Reuter). It is authoritatively stated in London that an approach was made to representatives of the British Government in Stockholm at the beginning of March by German representatives on the lines of recent reports in Swedish newspapers.

All information regarding the German approach was immediately communicated to Russia and the United States. Authoritative quarters in London regard the approach as a typical instance of German efforts to sow dissension between the Allies and it has been firmly ignored.

German Denial

The German Overseas News Agency reported a denial by Ribbentrop's spokesman of the Alleged German peace feelers which have been reported in Swedish Press. The spokesman said: "These alleged peace feelers in Stockholm are a downright swindle. No peace feelers have been put out by the German circles, nor will they be put out. It is one more of those manoeuvres perpetrated by the enemy at certain intervals in order to discredit the German peoples and its leaders determination to fight on".

PATTON OUTFLANKS SAAR RIVER LINE

Fall Of Coblenz Imminent: New Seventh Army Offensive

S.H.A.E.F., March 16. (Reuter)

Smashing across the Moselle river, south-west of Coblenz, General Patton's tanks are roaming loose on the plateau behind, and have virtually outflanked the Saar River line which is itself facing a powerful frontal assault by the Seventh Army along a 60-mile stretch.

Striking simultaneously to the east and south-east from Saarburg General Patton made a five-mile advance to put his spearheads behind the double-looped Siegfried Line defence along the Saar River.

Speeding its operations the Third Army also made new crossings of the Moselle this morning, capturing village after village in an area of 15 miles south-west of Coblenz against dwindling resistance which apparently developed into a chase as contact had been lost with the Germans.

Meanwhile in the Remagen bridgehead which is now 12-1/2 miles long and 6-1/2 deep, the American First Army to-day launched a strong attack along the entire front. Within a few hours they gained two miles in some places, and are now virtually astride Cologne-Frankfurt/Autobahn, Rondorf and Steinshardt have been captured. Americans have entered Honningen.

The first stage of the new West Front battles, which may well be a prelude to greater events all along the front, has started.

Reuter's Special Correspondent with the U. S. Third Army writes, Coblenz is expected to fall to-day. The infantry of General Patton's army which is attacking the city from the south-west after crossing the Moselle is meeting little resistance. Since the river crossing General Patton's forces have advanced 15 miles in their spectacular advance.

The Associated Press of America Correspondent adds: The American Fourth Armoured Division broke out of the Moselle bridgehead south-west of Coblenz to-day and raced 12 miles south-east.

AMERICANS NEARING SUPERHIGHWAY TO FRANKFURT

A distance of under two miles separates the U. S. First Army bridgehead (shaded area) east of the Rhine river from the six-lane super highway linking the Ruhr with Frankfurt-on-Main.—U. S. O. W. I. map of March 15, 1945.

AMERICAN CASUALTIES ON WESTERN FRONT NUMBER 425,007

WASHINGTON, March 15. (A.P.): American Army ground force casualties on the western front from D-day to March 1, total 425,007. War Secretary Henry Stimson announced to-day.

Casualties during February total 34,468.

Crooner Crosby Gets Oscar

"Going My Way" Rated As Year's Best

HOLLYWOOD (California), March 16. (Reuter): The film, "Going My Way" has won the title of the outstanding picture of 1944 in Academy Motion Pictures Arts and Sciences awards.

Bing Crosby has won the award for the best male performance of the year for his work in "Going My Way".

Ingrid Bergman won the women's award for her performance in "Gaslight"

Leo McCarey won the director's title and also the award for writing the best original motion picture of the year "Going My Way". This is the first time in 17 years that an academy winner has captured two titles.

STOP PRESS

GERMAN ROCKETS FOR LONDON

LONDON, March 16. (A.P.I.) British authorities today permitted correspondents to report that German rockets—Hitler's vaunted V-2— have fallen on London

ZHUKOV BREAKS INTO STETTIN DEFENCES

LONDON, March 16 The German overseas' news agency, war correspondent Gerhard Emskoetter to-night said Marshal Zhukov has broken into the depth of the Stettin defences.

He said a mighty battle flared up at dawn yesterday when Red troops, supported by at least 150 tanks made concentrated attacks against the southern and eastern sectors of the defence belt, but further progress has been checked.—Reuter.

New Russian Offensive Against Oder Bridgehead

Germans Cut Off From Koenigsberg Garrison By Soviet Break To Sea

LONDON, March 16 (Reuter): The German News Agency reports that the Red Army has, after heavy artillery preparation launched a mass attack against the Oder bridgehead east of Stettin, the key to the German defensive position on their Baltic flank north-east of Berlin.

The Agency said: "A new battle has begun on both sides of the Glatzer Neisse west of Oppeln."

FIGHTING IN FIVE SECTORS

LONDON, March 16 (Reuter): The Red Army has opened a new offensive in the Ratibor Grottkau sector near the junction of Silesia, Poland and Czechoslovakia, said to-day's German High Command Communique.

"Our troops broke the offensive force of the Soviets in hard battle and held the offensive wave which followed in depth of the main battlefield. Fighting is still going on" the 'communique' declared.

Major fighting was also reported by the German 'communique' on five sectors of the east front.

On the west front, the 'communique' said, the Americans in the Remagen bridgehead penetrated deeper into the main German line north-east of Honnef. In the Moselle-Rhin triangle "furious fighting is going on with advancing American tank spearheads." West of Hagenau, the Americans made a few breaches for which fighting is continuing.

From Hooper Reuter's special correspondent:

MOSCOW, Friday: The Germans having been cut off from the Koenigsberg garrison by the latest Soviet break to the sea were last reported to be exhausting themselves in fruitless counter-attacks. With complete liquidation of this coastal group, the storming of Koenigsberg itself seems near.

In Western Hungary, the Germans are trying new tactics of massing all available tanks into a single mighty spearhead instead of attacking simultaneously in several sectors.

GERMANS FACE ANNIHILATION

MOSCOW, March 16 (A. P. A.): The German defenders of the East Prussia coast, already split by the new offensive of the Third White Russian army group, are facing annihilation in two dwindling pockets around Koenigsberg and Braunsberg, writes Daniel De Luce.

The Russian wedge increased between these fortress cities which are 35 mils apart on the inland shore of the Frisches Lagoon.

Liquidation of Braunsberg seemed near at hand while at the same time heavy Soviet attacks were mounted in the south-western suburbs of Koenigsberg.

The garrison of the Pomeranian naval base at Kolberg, which was seized in death grip by Marshal Zhukov a week ago, was reported already gravely weakened by heavy casualties and capitulation might be a matter of hours.

GOVERNOR WITHHOLDS IT

KARACHI, March 16. It is announced that H. E. the Governor of Sind has withheld his assent to the Sind Land Alienation Bill. The bill which was opposed by the Hindus of Sind was passed by the Sind Assembly in July, 1944.

Dr. Hemandas and Rao Sahib Gokuldas, the two Hindu Ministers at the time, had voted against the bill in the Assembly.—A. P.

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Suit No. 1576 of 1942

ANANDRAO KHANDERAO MAHIMKAR. .... Plaintiff.
Versus
PARSHARAM MADHUSUDAN MHATRE & Anr. .. Defendants

PURSUANT to the Decree Absolute for Sale dated 8th September 1944 the following immovable properties will be sold in 2 lots by Public Auction by the Commissioner of this Honourable Court at his Office in the Court House on Thursday 12th April 1945 at 4-30 P.M. (S.T.).

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For further particulars and conditions of sale, application should be made at the Office of the said Commissioner or at the office of Messrs. R. E. Papa & Co., Attorneys for the Plaintiff abovenamed at No. 41 Hamam Street, Fort, Bombay.

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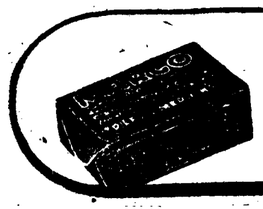

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Stalin Wants Strong Poland

Hottest Arguments Preceded Compromise At Yalta

WASHINGTON, March 16. (A.P.A.) The Polish issue provided the most difficult task at the Yalta Conference, writes Douglas Cornell, A.P.A. White House Correspondent.

Judging from the time they spent discussing it with Parliament and Congress, Poland was a point on which Mr. Churchill and President Roosevelt felt themselves most vulnerable.

It took two days to produce a compromise after the hottest arguments of the Yalta meeting.

The main trouble was that a settlement appeared likely to be in conflict with the Atlantic Charter. There also was conflict because of Russian recognition of the Lublin Government as against American and British recognition of the London Polish Government.

Stalin said he wanted a trustworthy Poland strong enough to stall any attack long enough to permit the Russians to go to battle beyond their own soil.

Stalin was in position to enforce practically any demand since the Red Army was in Poland.

Some Yalta decisions have not yet been announced. One may deal with the use of force to back a world security agency.

"CALL OF HUNGER"

Realistic Play Staged In Aid Of Kerala Relief

On Saturday last at 8-30 p.m. at Khalsa College, Matunga, a Malayalam Drama, "CALL OF HUNGER" was staged by the United Kerala Relief Committee, in aid of Kerala Relief.

The play was very well received by the audience, who had never seen anything so realistic on the Malayalam stage in Bombay before. Depicting as it does, the havoc wrought by the famine in Kerala, the author, Mr. C. Achutha Menon, has within the short compass of an hour and a half been able to give a vivid picture of the physical and moral decay that comes in the wake a famine But the drama does not end on a note of despair. It shows the conscious elements in the village coming together to fight against the common menace, even the rapacious, hard-boiled landlord relenting in the end, when he realises that his lands are nothing without the peasantry to till it.

The performances of the actors were very good, not a trace of amateurishness being discernible. In particular, the performance of Miss Acama as the peasant mother, weakened by perennial child-bearing, and torn between love for her children and a hunger that ultimately ends in her death, reached heights reminiscent of the Indian People's Theatre play "ANTIM ABILASHA." Mr. K. Paul, as her son, a conscious peasant lad, battling to retain his hold on himself as calamity follows calamity in his household and village, gave a very good account of himself.

The total proceeds of the ticket sales, amounting to Rs. 861-12 are being sent in their entirety to the People's Relief Committee, Kerala, who have already established seven medical relief centres.

A. V. Thakkar To Undergo Cataract Operation

BOMBAY, Friday.

Sjt. Amritlal V. Thakkar who had been developing cataract in both his eyes for some time has left to-night for Vellore (near Madras) for operation on his left eye. He will be under medical treatment there for nearly four weeks (or more if necessary) and all his public activities connected with the Servants of India Society, Bhil Seva Mandal, Harijan Sevak Sangh and Kasturba Memorial Fund would naturally be suspended for the time being.

2,144 DESTITUTES DIE IN CALCUTTA

Public Health Minister Reveals Figures In Assembly

CALCUTTA, March 16, (A. P. I.): Two thousand one hundred and forty-four destitutes died in Calcutta hospitals during the last ten months of 1944, said Khan Bahadur Jalaluddin Ahmed, Minister for Public Health, replying to a question in the Bengal Legislative Assembly today. He added that during this period 7,163 destitutes were admitted to the hospitals.

The Assembly today passed budget demands for Rs. 95,54,000 and Rs. 94,68,000 under the heads 'Medical' and 'Public Health' respectively.

A number of cut motions were moved by Opposition members, who complained of absence of medical and nursing facilities.

The Minister for Public Health said that it was only in the present regime that the medical budget had come to over Rs. 95 lakhs. Formerly it was much below that.

There were one death and seven admissions of sick destitutes in Calcutta hospitals yesterday, states a Press Note.

LABOUR OPPOSED TO FRESH COALITION

Favours Pure Party Govt. After Success In General Elections

LONDON, March 16. (Reuter) Strong resistance to the idea of a further coalition Government as hinted by Prime Minister Churchill in his speech yesterday is expected to be shown in some sections of the Labour Party, writes Reuter's political correspondent.

Mr. Churchill's suggestion about the new coalition has certainly presented the Labour Party with a problem. The view expressed in one authoritative Labour quarter today was that while the Party is pledged to fight General Elections on its own programme, it is not committed in the event of success at the poll, to establish a purely party Government or in the event of defeat to abstain from participation in a Government composed of several parties.

Suit Against Municipality Fails

(Before the Hon. Mr. Justice Bhagwati)

A. N. Surve ..... Plaintiff.
v.
The Bombay Municipality .....
..... Defendants.

His Lordship dismissed with costs a suit filed by the plaintiff, a member of the Original Side Bar of the High Court and a Justice of the Peace, claiming Rs. 1 lakh as damages for wrongful attachment of his immovable property at Umrkhadi Road, Bombay. The attachment had been levied for non-payment of riot tax amounting to Rs. 131-2-0 in respect of the riots of 1929, 1930 and 1932. The property attached stood in the name of the plaintiff's mother. The plaintiff claimed that he was the real owner of the property and being a Justice of the Peace he was exempted from riot tax. The plaintiff also objected to payment of the riot tax on principle as being levied under an antiquated piece of legislation and causing great hardship.

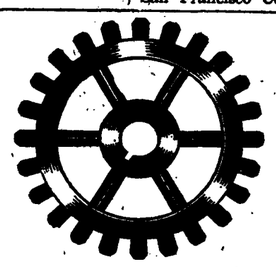
His Lordship held that the attachment was not wrongful and there was no trespass to the plaintiff's property. The plaintiff's suit therefore failed.

The plaintiff appeared in person.

Mr. B. J. Desai and Mr. Y. B. Rege instructed by Messrs. Crawford Bayley & Co. appeared for the defendants.

Arab Congress In Cairo

CAIRO, March 15: A general Arab Congress is scheduled to meet on March 17 in Cairo to discuss mainly the Palestine problem and Syrian and Lebanese participation at the San Francisco Conference.



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KAMANI METAL INDUSTRIES

Collection Of Foodgrains

Success Of Revised Levy Scheme In Bombay

BOMBAY, Friday (A. P. I.): Very good progress has been made in respect of collection of foodgrains under the revised levy scheme enforced in the districts by the Government of Bombay, it is officially stated here. Recoveries have been forthcoming fast and in a number of cases the authorities felt it difficult to cope with the work of receiving grains and finding accommodation for storage.

The Khariff tenders under the scheme are almost complete and the Rabi wheat harvest will come off in April.

It is stated that there has been no trouble in the collection of foodgrains under the scheme and there has been no occasion calling for the application of law or coercive measures so far.

In this connection an official of the Foodgrains Department referred to a report in the vernacular press that the Government had ordered landholders to hand over all the yield of crops to the Government and purchase their rations from shops. He said that the report was unwarranted and wrong. He explained that the quantity of foodgrains require to be sold to the authorities by a holder under the growth of Foodcrops Act, 1944, is determined in accordance with the schedule to the Act.

The Government have recently made some general remissions in the case of affected districts in the northern and southern divisions. It is understood that some more districts where there has been a failure or reduced yield are likely to be given special remissions.

UNFIT FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION

Lakh Maunds Of Rice In Government Godown

DACCA, March 16: About one lakh maunds of rice in Government godown at Manikganj are reported to have become unfit for human consumption. This involves a loss of lakhs of rupees to the Government. The Manikganj Sub-Divisional Food Committee have inspected this stock and characterised it to be spoiled and recommended its immediate removal.—United Press.

Thana Congress Workers To Meet At Dadar

(From Our Correspondent)

DAHANU, March 16.

Thana Congress workers will meet at Dadar in Orient High School on Sunday to discuss steps to be taken to implement Constructive Programme laid down by Gandhiji Mr. Govindrao Deshpande of Nasik is expected to address the gathering. Prominent Thana workers will attend.

RELIGION ESSENTIAL FOR WORLD UNITY

BOMBAY, Friday.

Pandit Sunderlalji, a well-known Congressman of U.P., spoke to the Freedom Group this evening on the subject "India's Contribution to World Peace." Mr. Abidalli Jafferbhai presided.

The speaker said that religion could never be a bundle of superstition or blind faith: when it contradicted science, it collapsed.

The speaker added that there were two schools of thought: those who believed that mere political and economic considerations ruled life and those who considered the need for a spiritual life and for idealism. For the peace of the individual as well as the nation, even of the world at large, religion was essential.

He strongly advised the gathering to abolish caste, untouchability as well as other social inequities. They were a sin towards humanity.

Continuing, he said, that the world needed a religion in which unity, harmony and brotherhood prevailed. This was India's contribution to the world.

British Actress To Appear In 'ENSA' Show at Excelsior

BOMBAY, March 16: Miss Edith Evans, England's greatest actress, is now on tour for ENSA in India with her own company in her own production of "The Late Christopher Bean", an enchanting comedy with more than a hint of tears.

With Miss Evans are Dorothy Hyson, star daughter of her star mother Dorothy Dixon, Susan Richards, Lally Bowers and a real all West-End cast.

They are now playing in the Garrison Theatre, Calcutta. "The Late Christopher Bean" opens in Bombay in the Excelsior for a fortnight on April 14. The public will only be admitted as guests of the Services—one guest to one serviceman or woman. The prices will be the standard ENSA Garrison Theatre prices, 1 rupee 8 annas and four annas.—A. P.

Charge-Sheet Against Gokulchand Morarka

SHOLAPUR, March 15: A charge-sheet relating to the case in which Mr. Gokulchand Morarka, Agent, Sholapur Spinning and Weaving Mills, Sholapur, was arrested last week at Malad, Bombay, for the alleged contravention of the provisions of the cloth and yarn Control Order, has now been filed in the court of the Sholapur City Magistrate.

Soon after his arrest, Mr. Morarka was released on bail by a Bombay Magistrate.

The case is in connection with the quantity of about 5,000 yards of cloth found in Motibag Bungalow when it was searched in August 1944, by the Sholapur police.

The Motibag Bungalow is the property of the Sholapur Mills.

It is alleged that the cloth found in the Bungalow was in excess of the normal quantity required by the accused.—A. P.

DODECANESE VOTE FOR GREECE

ATHENS, March 15: Proclamation of their Union with Greece was officially announced by the Dodecanese group of islands which have been freed of Axis occupying troops.

The Islands of Syne, Nisayros and Estypalea unanimously voted Union and requested government representatives be sent from Greece to take over the administration of the islands.

The Greek Government's action has not yet been determined.—U. P. A.

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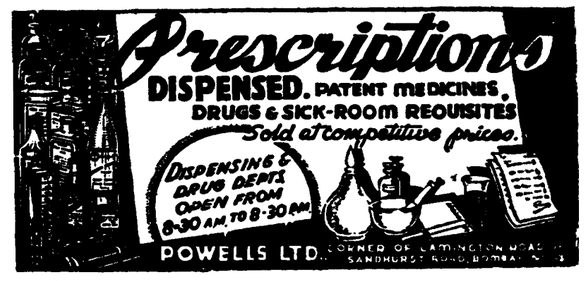
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Selections

DEEPAK'S EXCELLENT CHANCE IN MUNSHI CUP

Goodwill Likely In Champagne Stakes

By Our Racing Correspondent

The Maharaja of Gwalior's Deepak possesses excellent chance in the day's feature, the K. M. Munshi Cup.

Goodwill is likely to score in the Champagne Stakes.

The following are my selections:—

1ST RACE: 1 Red Blinkers; 2 Indian Money; 3 Egypt.

2ND RACE: 1 Queen Hamiyah; 2 Nawab; 3 Asfur Pasha.

3RD RACE: 1 Passing Show; 2 Patriot; 3 Kutub Minar.

4TH RACE: 1 Carlos; 2 Golden Son; 3 No Wonder

5TH RACE: 1 Goodwill; 2 Belamina; 3 Eastern Jest.

6TH RACE: 1 Hot Stuff; 2 Embassy Row; 3 Here's How.

7TH RACE: 1 Deepak; 2 Ice Box; 3 Sunbathing.

8TH RACE: 1 Subhi Jazira; 2 Lila; 3 Amal Al Shabab.

9TH RACE: 1 A La Grande; 2 Prince Ariel; 3 Cobalt.

THE SPORTSMAN'S SPORTSFOLIO

By J. C. MAITRA

Strange are the ways of the Cooperage gods! For the last three years they have been persistently refusing to touch the Santosh Trophy—and also the All-India Football Federation—with a pair of tongs. But suddenly their love for the Inter-Provincial Football Tournament has swelled up so high that not only do they want to participate in it this year but would like to stage the entire competition at the Cooperage!

COMPLETE METAMORPHOSIS

Evidently their slogan of "Travel when you must" has now gone by the board. The question of accommodating the up-country teams does not worry them any more, although the housing problem is more difficult of solution today than ever before. And also the principle of "saving every pice we can" has apparently seen a complete metamorphosis! One may innocently ask "Why this sudden change of front?" Only the other day my resolution for Bombay's participation in the Santosh Trophy was guillotined by President Moir at the last annual General Meeting. Would it hurt the prestige of the tin-gods of the W.I.F.A. if I say that my threat to convene a Special General Meeting on a requisition had the desired effect?

INTERESTING OBDURACY

Anyway, I do not want to claim any credit for myself for the above decision. My only regret is that this good sense did not dawn on the High and Mighty during the last two or three years. This might have saved me from their wrath to a certain extent and also helped the cause of Indian football considerably. But Turner and Co. would not be what they are if submitted to any reasonable suggestion or request promptly. They must show to the world that they possess all the wisdom of the entire football world of India.

WHY THIS SUDDEN ANXIETY?

But why this anxiety to stage the whole tournament in this city? Would it not increase the unnecessary travel which "the patriots of the Cooperage" are so anxious to avoid? Fancy Mysore, Madras and Hyderabad State making the journey to Bombay, while only one or two of them need come for the zone semi-final and final. But far worse than that N.W.F.P., Punjab, U.P., Delhi, Behar and Bengal would all come to this city at considerable expense and inconvenience to themselves and the travelling public.

NEEDLESS BURDEN

The best thing would be to play on the Zonal system, finishing up the semi-finals and final in Bombay or any other suitable centre. That would reduce travelling to the minimum and the question of accommodating the up-country teams would also be easily solved. Besides, it would not be worth our while imbibing mediocre teams from all corners of India at heavy expense. Only the cream of Indian football would be heartily welcomed by the public at large. Then why take more burdens on your shoulders than are necessary?

WISER POLICY

Perhaps the W.I.F.A. Committee has now realised that it would be wiser to spend some money on even mediocre up-country teams than pay heavy Income-tax to the Government! Encouragement of football is their primary object. So the money spent on these teams is by no means a waste. They would repay in the long run. But that is not a problem worrying the heads of the Cooperage Masters at the moment. They have enough to do in trying to please the Services teams.

MOTIVE BEHIND THE MOVE

There is however a snag in this move and that if the W.I.F.A. folks want to transfer control of the game from the East to the West. As long as the reins of the administration of the A.I.F.F. were in the hands of the Cooperage Pundits full co-operation was offered. But immediately the control changed hands, Non-Co-operation became the order of the day. With re-transfer of power to Turner and Co. everything would be O.K. again. It is for the rest of India to decide whether they would leave the management of Indian football to Cooperage or carry on without their co-operation. Because it seems to me that if the W.I.F.A. is not permitted to run the entire tournament, they may again cry off on some excuse or other.

The meeting of the A.I.F.F. which will be held shortly will decide the question.

Aga Khan Cup

20 UP-COUNTRY TEAMS TO FIGURE IN HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIP

As many as 34 teams are going to compete in the Aga Khan Tournament this year. Among them are 20 prominent teams from up-country, hailing from the four corners of India. If they do not cry off at the last moment as they did last year, the ensuing tournament proper will be a very interesting one. All the prominent local teams are in it too. The participation of the Lusitanians appears to be a certainly, despite the fact that they have refused to fulfil their final engagements with the B.P. H.A.

The following is the draw for the tournament proper:

UPPER HALF

First Quarter—Lusitanians "A" vs. Kirkeeans bye Team 'G' from the preliminary round vs. IMH. Jalahain bye.

Recruits Rec. Camp Bangalore vs. Team "D" from the preliminary round bye.

Sneha Society, Kirkee, vs. CPWD Club, Delhi, bye.

Second Quarter: YMCA, Lahore vs. Deccan Pioneers bye.

118 Indian H.Q. Coy, Bangalore vs. BBCI Railway bye.

St. Xavier's "A" vs. Team "A" from the preliminary round, bye.

Kamla Club, Cawnpore, bye, to meet winners of "The Times of India" S.C. vs. Union S.C., Deolali.

LOWER HALF

Third Quarter:: Deolali Association vs. City Police "A" the winners to meet Mohammedan S.C., Calcutta, bye.

Friends Union, Kirkee vs. Team "B" from the preliminary round, bye.

Saigal Club, Rawalpindi vs. Bangalore S.C. bye. Team "C" from the preliminary round vs. Manavadar H.C.

Fourth Quarter: Lucky Star C., Belgaum vs. Kalyanmal, Indore, bye.

Team "E" from the preliminary round vs. Varsity Paraders, Lahore, bye.

G.I.P. Railway H.Q. vs. Team "F" from the preliminary round, bye.

Independent S.C., Delhi vs. Team "H" from the preliminary round.

Miss Shirin Vajifdar will give a dance recital at the C. J. Hall at 6 p.m. to-day in aid of the Homoeopathic College & Hospital Fund.

REQUISITIONING HOUSES MUST STOP

S. K. Patil's Resolution Carried

BOMBAY, Friday.

The Municipal Corporation on Friday unanimously passed the resolution of Mr. S. K. Patil in regard to the requisition of the houses in the city by the military authorities. It will be recalled that on the 8th instant Mr. S. K. Patil had moved the following resolution:

That the action contemplated by Government would aggravate the very great hardships caused to the civil population by the utter inadequacy of housing accommodation in the city. The increase in the population, the dock explosion and the complete stoppage of building activity had already made the situation very bad. The resolution further stated that as the Government held the complete monopoly of building materials and as they should and could provide accommodation for military personnel by construction of buildings they should not encroach upon the already scanty accommodation of the civil population.

On Friday Mrs. Lilavati Munshi further supporting the resolution suggested to requisition houses occupied by Europeans in the city.

Mr. P. M. Chinai gave an instance of a well-known businessman whose house was requisitioned. He thought there should be some sense of proportion in dishousing people.

Mr. M. E. Joshi, Mr. Jamnadas Dwarkadas, Mr. Zoolmiram Choudhari and Mr. Ali Mahomed Baigmahomed also supported the resolution.

Mr. S. K. Patil in winding up the debate suggested that refugees from Burma and Singapore who are paying high rents and doing roaring business, in some cases even in the black market, should be asked to go out of Bombay and their places could be occupied by the military.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

STANDING COMMITTEE

Mr. Nagindas T. Master, the Mayor announced the following councillors duly elected on the Standing Committee as a result of the election which took place last Monday: (1) Khan Bahadur Mahomedally Allabux, (2) Mr. V. B. Gandhi, (3) Mr. Dayabhai V. Patel, (4) Mr. R. A. Podar, (5) Mr. S. L. Silam, (6) Mr. Soonderdas Morarji, (7) Mr. K. G. Tambe and (8) Mr. Vasantram Jamiatram.

719 Cases Instituted Under Abkari And Other Acts In Feb.

During February the Bombay City Police instituted 711 cases under the Abkari Act, four under the Opium Act, four under the Tobacco Act and one under the Dangerous Drugs Act.

Of these 328 cases ended in conviction, in three cases the accused were warned and discharged and 389 cases were pending at the end of the month.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

SATURDAY, MARCH 17.

BOMBAY—1.

244 m. (1,231 kc/s)—8-0 a.m. News (H). 8-15 News (E). 8-30 R. N. Parad kar. 8-45 Violin 8-50 News (M). 9-0 News (G). 9-10 To-morrow. 9-15 Songs (G). 9-30 Saraswati Rane.

12-30 p.m. Sindhi Songs. 12-45 News (M). 12-50 News (G). 12-55 News (H). 1-0 Variety. 1-30 News (E). 1-40 Music. 5-0 Shankarrao Vyas. 5-30 L. C. Mathur. 5-45 Topical Talk. 5-55 Locals. 6-0 At Six (M). 6-30 News (E). 6-40 News (H). 6-45 Music from Film. 7-0 Sandeshe. 7-15 K. Y. Kale (Poona). 7-30 L. C. Mathur. 7-45 Saraswati Rane. 8-15 News (M). 8-30 News (G). 8-45 For Universities. 9-0 News (H). 9-20 News (E). 9-30 B. B. C News. 9-45 Dula Kaag (G). 10-15 Birth of Himalayas.

CITY AND SUBURBS

To-day

Hindu: Chaitra Shud 4, 2001.
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Parsi: Meher 15, 1314.
Sunrise: 7-46 a.m., Sunset 7-49 p.m.
Hightide: 2-55, 15-30,
Lowtide 9-04, 21-20.

To-day's Engagements

BOMBAY HOMOEOPATHIC ASSOCIATION: Benefit Performance in aid of Homoeopathic College and Hospital Fund today 6 p.m. at C. J. Hall.

BALKAN-JI-BARI: Study Class on Child Psychology for beginners will be started at the Fellowship School, Gowalia Tank. Workers and parents as well as other interested members from all Bombay and Suburban Balkan-ji-Bari Branches who intend to join the Class are requested to be present at the Fellowship School, Gowalia Tank today at 5 p.m. when details regarding the Class will be discussed.

THE MUNICIPAL PEONS' UNION: The first annual general meeting of the Municipal Peons' and Lascars' Union today at 3-30 p.m. (S.T.) under the presidentship of Sjt. S. K. Patil, M.L.A., at the Corporation Hall.

CONGRESS WORKERS' STUDY CLASS: At the Congress Workers' Study Class organised by the Tardeo and Khetwadi Taluka Congress Samitees, Sjt. S. K. Patil will give a talk today at 7-30 p.m. (N.S.T.) on "Different Stages of the Congress".

MECHANICAL ENGINEERS ASSN.—The 25th silver jubilee annual conference of the Mechanical Engineers' Association today at 3 p.m. at the B.E.S. & T. Co., Ltd., Conference Hall, Electric House, Colaba, Bombay.

WILSON COLLEGE: The Principal and Staff of Wilson College "At Home" to past students, 5-30 p.m. to-day.

TO-DAY'S SPECIALS FROM A.I.R. BOMBAY—To-day (Saturday) at 8-45 p.m. Sir C. V. Raman's talk on "The Structure of our Universe", addressed to University Students (244 and 89.15 m.)

At 9-45 p.m. Kathiawar's well-known poet "Dula Kag" will broadcast Gujarati Folk Songs.

At 10-15 p.m., follows 'Birth of Himalayas' a musical feature which is an experiment that seeks to interpret in music the scientific exploration of the existence of this mountain range.

TRINITY MUTUAL HEALTH CLINIC.—The clinic at Orient High School, Kelewadi, Girgaum, will be open today between 4 and 6 p.m. The Clinic is equipped with a Library and Reading Room, which contains books, magazines on general health. The Library is free to the public.

MAHILA SEVA MANDAL ANNUAL GATHERING: The annual social gathering of the Mahila Seva Mandal Industrial Schools for Women conducted by the Social Service League, Bombay, to-day at 4-30 p.m. (S.T.) at the Damodar Thackersey Hall, Parel. Rao Saheb Kantilal Ishvarlal will preside and Mrs. Shakuntalabai Kantilal will distribute the prizes.

ALL-INDIA ANTI-PAKISTAN FRONT: First meeting of the members of the New Working Committee today at 6 p.m. at the office of the Front, 239, Girgaum Road.

SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN IN WESTERN INDIA: Annual general meeting in the Municipal Corporation Hall on Wednesday the 28th instant at 6-30 p.m. to consider (1) Administration Report of the Executive Committee and the audited Statements of accounts and (2) for the Election of Office-bearers and members of the Executive Committee.

SANGEET WIDNYAN MANDAL: Concert of vocal music by Khan Saheb Vilayat Hussein at Laxmi Baug Hall to-morrow Sunday at 4-30 p.m.

INDIAN MUSIC CIRCLE: Bai Rasoolanbai of Benares will entertain members with vocal music at the Marwadi Vidyalaya Hall at 10 p.m. on Tuesday, March 20.

SUBURBAN MUSIC CIRCLE, SANTA CRUZ: Programme of vocal music by Begum Rasoolanbai of Benares at Vimalanand Kopnikar Hall, Saraswat Colony, Santa Cruz at 10 p.m. today (Saturday).

SARASWATI SANGEET SAMAJ.—A concert of vocal music by Mrs. Anjanibai Lolekar, will be held at 9-30 a.m. on Sunday (March 18) at Vanmali Hall, Chhabildas Road, Dadar (B.B. & C.I. Rly.)

PANDE OF B.B.C. IN BOMBAY

Mr. T. Pande of the British Broadcasting Corporation, who has been transferred to India to do listeners' research in Indian language broadcasts from London, is on a visit to Bombay to study the reaction of the Marathi service of the B.B.C.

ALL-INDIA MUSLIM MAJLIS.—Mr. M. Y. Nurie, President of the Bombay Branch, All-India Muslim Majlis will speak to the members and sympathisers of the Muslim Majlis on the "Role of the Musalmans in the National Movement" today (Saturday) at 9 p.m. at Muslim Majlis office, Madanpura.

PANDIT SUNDERLAL'S LECTURE

Pt. Sunderlalji author of "Bharat Me Engreji Raj" will address the residents of Marine Lines today (Saturday) at "Rupayatan", 69, Marine Drive at 7-30 p.m.

GANDHARVA SANGEET MANDAL—Today (Saturday) at 9-30 p.m. at Marwadi Vidyalaya Hall, Sandhurst Road, Bombay 4, when Mahomed Khan will treat members with Surbahar and Sitar solo and Sushilabai Tembe with vocal music.

SOCIAL WORKERS' SOCIETY:—For sanitary rounds and visiting chawls, the members of the Society will meet today at 5 p.m. at Tardeo Tram Terminus.

CONGRESS DAL: Volunteers of the "F" Ward Congress Dal celebrated the "Ghodipadavo", the New Year by holding a rally of the volunteers of the Dal. The function commenced with a Flag Salutation at 9 a.m. at the maidan opp. Gwalliorwalla Mansion, Naigaum. Dr. Kulkarni presided. The function terminated after the National Anthem "Vande Mataram."

BHARATYA KALA BHAVANA: Dance-Drama 'Behula' today (Saturday) at St. Xavier's College Hall at 7-30 p.m. Tickets available from Bharatiya Kala-Bhavana, Mathew Road, Opera House, back.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS—"Death and After" will be the subject of a free public lecture to be delivered at Jehangir Wadia Building, Opp. Flora Fountain, on Sunday evening at 6-15.

MIRAJ, March 13.

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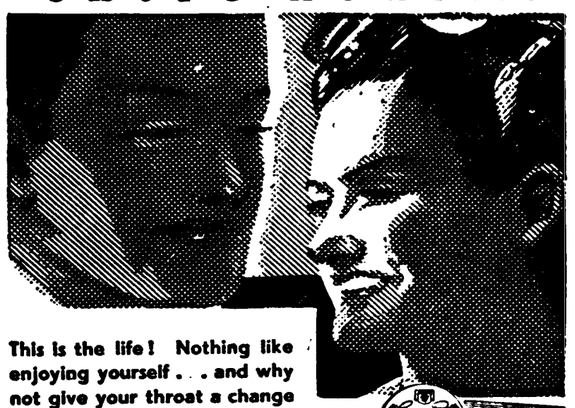

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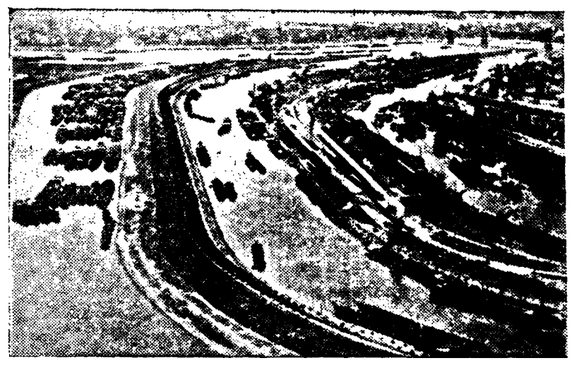

This is a pre-war view of the Rhine river Port of Duisburg in the Ruhr region of Germany where Allied troops are advancing.

New Literature For New India

Bengali Writers and Artists Hold Successful Conference

(From A Special Correspondent)

CALCUTTA.

In a nicely decorated Shamiana, thousands of men and women assembled to attend the 3rd session of the Calcutta Anti-Fascist Writers' and Artists' Conference held on 3rd and 4th instant. Over 200 delegates from various districts of Bengal had come to the Conference. Fraternal delegates from Bombay and Delhi also attended the sessions.

The Conference began with the opening of the exhibition, "This Our Land." Principal Asitkumar Halder of Lucknow School of Art opened the exhibition. 250 pictures from a hundred renowned artists of Bengal were exhibited.

The Presidium consisted of the following members: Sjt. Sailajananda Mukerjee, Tarashanker Bannerjee, Manick Bannerji, Smt. Prabhavatidevi Saraswati, Dr. Dhiren Sen, (Editor, Amrita Bazar Patrika), Mujibur Rahman Khan (Editor, Azad), Naresh Mitra Sheikh Gomani Dewan, (village Poet), Pashpati Bhattacharya.

Sjt. Sailajananda exhorted the audience for mental rehabilitation by means of literature and cultural work. Sjt. Tarashanker Bannerjee, in his presidential address said that a new form of literature was evolved from the present day catastrophe created by famine. These litterateurs had come into contact with real human tragedy, yet they were confident of bright future. He criticised the opponents of such realistic literature.

SEAN O'CASEY'S MESSAGE

Messages were received from Irish Playwright, Sean O'Casey, (He gave his Irish greetings to fighters for India's freedom), from Prof. Durgah Prasad Mukherjee, Mr. Trawat Singh, Manipuri leader, Prof. Subodh Roy of Chittagong, Poet Asoke Bijoy Raha of Sylhet and from Mr. Sajjad Zaheer, General Secretary of Progressive Writers' Association.

The following Resolutions were passed. 1. Changing the name of the Anti-Fascist Writers' and Artists' Conference into Progressive Writers' and Artists' Conference. 2. Giving a clarion call to the writers and artists to save the society from disintegration through their artistic activities and literature and thus help the rehabilitation work. 3 Inviting the Cinema Radio, and Theatre to take up progressive and realistic themes such as those presented by the Bengal of today. 4. For creating robust and healthy literature for children, discarding the unnatural and harmful story-telling. 5. Appeal for contribution towards The All India Rabindranath Tagore Memorial Fund. 6. Demanding release of Chimur and Ashti Prisoners.

Prof. Hiren Mukerjee, Prof. Niren Roy, Sjt. Gopal Haider, Sjt. Sudhir Pradhan, Sgt. Naran Ganguly, Prof. Hiron Sanyal and some other delegates spoke on the above resolutions.

The highlight of the Conference was the cultural programme given by district squads representing various folk songs of Bengal. A blind instrumentalist (Tagore Adhikari) kept the audience spell bound by playing superbly on the Dottara. He was accompanied by another blind artist of the All-India Radio, (Brojen Biswas). Boatmen's songs, "Kirtan" and "Bhatiali" proved equally popular. In the evening, the most popular form of "Kavir Lada!" (musical "fight" between poets) continued till late in the night. The audience in an appreciative mood remained seated there till mid-night.

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BALANCED REPRESENTATION

Demand Of Indians In Ceylon

COLOMBO, March 13, (A.P.I.): A joint deputation on behalf of some Indian associations including representatives of four district committees of the Ceylon Indian Congress gave evidence to-day before the Soulbury commission. The deputation was led by Mr. Peri Sundaram.

A memorandum submitted by the deputation expressed the view that with a council of 100 members, it was not unlikely that the executive system of Government (which prevails in Ceylon now) might prove successful, especially as the system provides in principle for a balanced form of Government. The memorandum pointed out that this system had been recommended by the Donoughmore Commissioners for a council of 80 members, but it had been actually tried in a much smaller council of 50 and could not therefore be regarded as having been given a fair trial. If however, the Executive Committee system was discontinued, it would be necessary that the principle of balanced representation should be reflected in the Executive Government also.

The memorandum favoured balanced representation between the majority and minority communities in the future legislature and universal adult franchise. Pleading that Indians should be enfranchised on the same basis as others and without any reference to "irksome and impossible qualifications of domicile" the memorandum said: "This is a matter on which the Indian community feels very strongly. Persistent efforts are being made in this country progressively to disfranchise and eventually to liquidate the Indian population."

Residence for a defined period should be the qualifying test for citizenship, franchise and other rights for Indians, it was added.

PLEA FOR SAFEGUARDS.

The memorandum wanted safeguards to be provided in respect of Immigration legislation, status and rights of Indians already resident in the island, non-Ceylonese commercial and trade interests and suggested that legislation relating to the following should be statutorily reserved for the signification of His Majesty's pleasure:—

(1) Prohibition or restriction of Immigration into the island; (2) Declaration or definition of the rights and privileges of citizenship; (3) Prohibition or restriction of the importation of or the imposition of import duties upon any class of goods; and (4) The establishment of shipping services including the carriage of goods within any port of Ceylon as would tend to expropriate or discriminate against established interests.

The memorandum added that future immigration of Indians into the island should be a matter to be agreed upon between the Governments of the two countries.

BALANCED REPRESENTATION.

Supporting the demand for balanced representation, Mr. Peri Sundaram said that over the last 14 years, the majority community had done nothing to inspire universal confidence. The Indian community in particular not only had no such confidence inspired in them but on the contrary the Sinhalese ministers by their declarations and various legislative and executive measures had instilled into them very real apprehension in regard to their future.

Representations similar to those made by the joint Indian deputation were also made by the Ceylon Malayalee Mahajana Sabha led by its president, Mr. C. K. Kunhiraman.

"ALWAYS ON FRIENDLIEST TERM."

Mr. A. F. Moulamure, Sinhalese member, State Council, the last witness before the Commission declared that the question of domination by the majority community had never arisen until it became known that the Soulbury Commission was coming out to Ceylon.

Referring to the demand of fifty—fifty representation as between the majority and minority communities, Mr. Molamure said that this was not supported by the majority of thinking people in the island. The Tamils and the Sinhalese had always got on the friendliest terms. It was the formation of communal political parties which had led to the fostering of unnecessary suspicion and illwill.

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Jyotin Maitra led the singing squad and gave a delightful feast of patriotic songs from his newly composed poems, "Navjivaner Gan", (songs of new Life).

On 6th March 1945, Bijon Bhattacharya's play, "Navyan" was staged. It gripped the audience at every moment. The play was a tremendous success. Bijon Bhhattacharya's and Shambhu's acting simply captivated the audience.

"The spirit of India" and other folk dances were staged by the People's Theatre on 7th and 8th March. The ballet on "Spirit of India" deeply stirred the audience.

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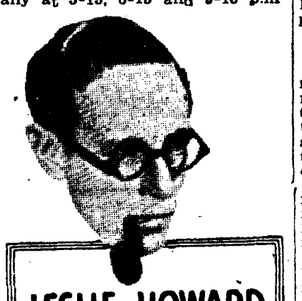
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"CARAVAN" AT OPERA HOUSE TODAY

"Hospital" Popular At Kamal: "Marriage Of A Recluse" At Opera House

By T. V. P.

Music is the very life blood of the gypsies. This characteristic of the race is utilised to its logical conclusion in Ranjit's "Caravan" which is to be released at Opera House today.

Mr. Niranjan Pal has spun out a story that depicts with reality the romance that typifies the gypsies. Herein we have a boy and a girl who are very much adept in the art of singing and dancing. Realising that the father is in hot waters in matters pecuniary, she wants to help him out. But the boy brushes her aside and takes to the stage. The actress in the dramatic company falls head over ears in love with him. Her attempts to wean away the boy's love from the girl bear no fruit. It is this triangle that furnishes the dramatic element in this song-cum-dance picture.

Kamla Chaterjee plays the role of the gypsy girl while Rani Premlata is the stage actress Arun plays the gypsy boy.

"SAUBHADRA" AT OPERA HOUSE

On Sunday morning Mr. B. V. Varerkar's version of the popular Marathi play "Saubhadra" will be staged by Suman Theatres at Royal Opera House. The play brings out the character of Arjuna as an artist, a votary of fine arts, apart from his being a hero and a warrior. Rukmini and Subhadra are played by accomplished actresses Meera Devi and Suman Bala. The dialogue has become humorous because of the humorous conception of the play, in which all principal characters try to deceive one another, with the same end in view Mr. Nana Phatak has directed the play.

Music lovers and film critics of Bombay have unanimously acclaimed M. P. Productions' "Hospital" released last Friday at Kamal Talkies as a great musical hit of the season

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SILVER JUBILEE OF "DERA"

With the entry of "Parbat Pe Apna Dera" into the 25th week at the Novelty, Rajkamal, for the third time in succession, has earned the honour of celebrating the third silver jubilee. First, it was "Shakuntala" which is still running in Bombay, then "Mali" earned the same distinction at Novelty, and now "Parbat Pe Apna Dera" has the same honour.

Critics have already acknowledged "Parbat Pe Apna Dera" as a triumph for Shantaram's allegorical technique in presenting an eloquent picture of psychological problems confronting a man who ran away from woman and life only to return and fall a victim to the lust of the body. In this he has been ably assisted by script-writer, Dewan Sharar, stars Vanamala, Ullhas, Baby Nalini, Cinematographer Avdhoot, Recordist Parmar and Music Director Vasant Desai.

"US PAR" AT CAPITOL

Charlie, Suvarnalata and Ishwarlal have between them managed to

Kamala Chaterjee in "Caravan" to day at Opera House

produce an enlivening picture in "Us Par." It has caught well at Capitol.

"CHAND" STAR GROWS YOUNGER!

There is magic in the screen, which can transform a man's age and looks and appearance. The Prabhat artiste Sapru made his first appearance in "Ram Shastri" as a sick man. He has earned his stardom in "Chand" (now at Krishna) as an elderly money-mad speculator. That role, played with conspicuous artistry, has earned him the role of the youthful hero in Prabhat's costume picture "Lakharani", in which he is called on to match his talents with Durga Khote and Monica Desai. Actually, Sapru is a young man in his early twenties. This series of three different kinds of roles should make him out to be the leading character star of our screen.

SHOREY PRESENTS "OUR NORTHERN COUSINS"

Following up on Prabhat's cultural film on "Rural Maharashtra", Lahore's venturesome young Producer-Director Roop K. Shorey, has made a charming short-film on life in the Punjab. Titled "Our Northern Cousins", it is included in the Information Films of India series on "Village Life in India."

Maker of the unchallenged "Mangti" Roop Shorey is at present making a feature film about Jehangir and Noor Jehan, which he has named "Shalimar". The picture stars Chandramohan, Begum Para, Manorama, Pramila and Hari Shivdasani.

"NAVJAVAN" IN LAHORE

Filmistan reports that Lahore's box-office figures of "Chal Chal re Navjavan" are on a par with the splendid record of the picture in Bombay, Delhi, Lucknow and Hyderabad. Lahore has readily picked up the song tunes; more than that, it has enthused over the theme of the story, the directive to national service on non-party lines. It is a fact to be noted, that Lahore is a fastidious city, with its own cultivated tastes in music and in performances. That the Punjab capital should line up with the other cities in their appreciation of the film, is evidence of the universal appeal of "Chal Chal re Navjavan."

"SAMRAT CHANDRAGUPTA"

Entering in the 4th week of crowded houses at New West End, Jayant Desai's historical "Samrat Chandragupta" has earned for itself high plaudits from press and picture-goers alike. The one factor that has distinguished this super entertaining picture is the note of patriotism evident in its every scene and sequence

Indeed, the whole picture itself is nothing else but glorification of India's two great patriots Chanakya and Chandragupta, whose statesmanship and bravery respectively led to the liberation of India from the yoke of the tyranny of its ruler Nand on the one hand and foreign aggressor Seluceas on the other.

But apart from the general nature of the screenplay, there are several incidents in the picture which rouse our patriotic spirit. Thus, for instance the scene in which Chandragupta sings national anthem in spite of receiving lashes from the Greek Princess is symbolic of our patriotic struggle and when Nurrudin Ahmed Ansari, the Secretary of Azad Muslim Party went to see the picture it rightly reminded him of a similar incident that occurred in jail during 1930 movement.

POPULAR FAVOURITES

"Jwar Bhata" at Majestic, "Ismat" at Lamington, "Bare Nawab Saheb" at Taj, "Aina" at Imperial, "Dassi" at Minerva, "Shakuntala" at Swastik, "Ramarajya" at Super are among the popular films in town.

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

Inter-American Resolution

MEXICO CITY, March 13: The "freedom of information" resolution adopted at the Inter-American Conference on Problems of War and Peace, which was concluded here last Thursday, recognizes that free communication of thought is an essential condition for the development of watchful public opinion.

The resolution is based on the United States and Uruguayan proposals. (Passages in quotes, except phrases in parentheses, are retained from the original U.S. draft).

The text of the reolution follows:

Whereas: It is the firm desire, repeatedly affirmed by the American Republics, to assure a peace that defends and protects everywhere the fundamental rights of men and permits all people to live free from the evils of tyranny, oppression and slavery;

"The progress of mankind depends on the supremacy of truth among men;

"Truth is the enemy of tyranny, which cannot exist where truth prevails, so that those who would erect tyrannies are constrained to attempt its suppression or to raise barriers against it;"

Freedom of communication of thought, oral as well as written, is an essential condition to the development of watchful public opinion throughout the world to guard against any attempt at aggression;

FASCISTS USED SUPPRESSION OF NEWS.

One of the most harmful methods that has been used by totalitarian governments, contrary to the dictates of humanity, is to isolate their own countries from the influence of foreign information, depriving them of access to and exact knowledge of the internal situation existing in other countries;

"It is one of the fundamental lessons of the present world war that there can be no freedom, peace or security where men are not assured of a free access to truth through the various media of public information;

"The Inter-American Conference on Problems of War and Peace recommends;

"1—That the American Republics recognize their essential obligation to guarantee to their people free and impartial access to (the sources of) information;

"2—That with this assurance in view they undertake upon the conclusion of the war the earliest possible abandonment of those measures of censorship and of control over the services of the press and radio which have been necessary in wartime to combat subversive political tactics and espionage activities of the Axis states.

"3—That the governments of the American Republics take measures individually (separately) and in co-operation with one another to promote the free exchange of information among their peoples;

"4—That the American Republics, having accepted the principle of free access to all forms of information, will do everything possible to assure when judicial order in the world is restored the guarantee that there be established the principle of free emission and reception of news and information, oral or written, published in books or by the press, broadcast by radio, or disseminated by any other means under the proper responsibility and without need of previous censorship; the same to apply equally to private correspondence, letters, telegrams or communications in any other form in time of peace."—U.S.O.W.I.

HUGE POST-WAR AIR SERVICE EQUIPMENT

(BY WILLIAM J. STREBIG A.P. AVIATION EDITOR.)

WASHINGTON, March (A.P.A.): Pan American Airways contemplates an investment of dol 30,000,000 for equipment for post-war air service over the Pacific. J. Clawson, Roop, vice-President and Treasurer of PAA, said most of the expenditure would be for airplanes. The company proposes to use Lockheed Constellations for service to Alaska and Douglas DC-7 models on routes to the Orient and Austral-Asia.

Sapru Regrets Non-inclusion Of Opposition In San Francisco Delegation

MADRAS, March 15.

Disappointment at the non-inclusion of popular representatives in the Indian Delegation to the San Francisco Conference was expressed by the Rt. Hon. Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru in an interview with the Associated Press of India today.

"I regret very much," Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru said "that in the delegation that the Government of India are sending they have not included leaders of the Opposition in the Central Legislature. Howsoever much the Members that they have appointed may attempt to give expression to the national point of view it would not have the same reassuring effect on the public mind as those having popular backing. At a psychological moment like this non-official representatives commanding the confidence of the country should have been sent. This is once again an instance of blunder by the India Office which should have been avoided."

He added "It was not inevitably impossible to include non-official representatives in the delegation."—A. P.

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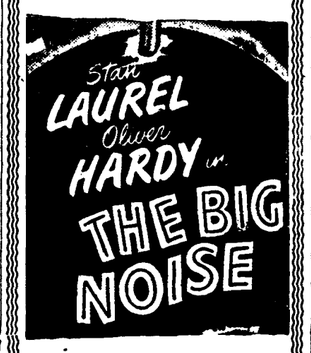

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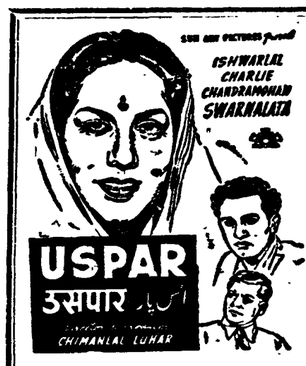

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A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Happiness is increased, not by the enlargement of the possessions, but of the heart; and days lengthened, not by the crowding of emotions, but by the economy of them.

—Ruskin.

The Bombay Chronicle

UNREASONABLE AS EVER

Mr. Amery's latest reply to the recurring question in the Commons about the release of Congress leaders is in no sense more reassuring than his previous ones. And the report of the reply does not warrant the remarks made by some Labour leaders that the reply shows a welcome change in its tone or that it is "much more reasonable than anything which was said in the past". All that Mr. Amery said was that "it was not intended to detain Congress leaders indefinitely and that the Government of India would consider their release when they were satisfied that they would not prejudice the maintenance of law and order and the safety of India as a war base." But this is only a verbal variation of his previous stereotyped replies. Even when Mr. Sorensen asked more pointedly whether the progressive release of individuals "would go on so that in course of time Congress leaders would be released in the same way as Mr. Gandhi and others", Mr. Amery would say nothing more definite than "we will consider the time when it comes". We cannot share Mr. Sorensen's complacency in his observation: "It is at least gratifying to know that there will not be indefinite detention". We would have suspected that Mr. Sorensen was ironical if that view was not disproved by his other equally complacent remarks. When Mr. Amery says the leaders will not be detained indefinitely he only means they will not be detained for all time. But he does not give any hint of anything like an early release. If that is gratifying, even Labour leaders of Britain must be said to be easily gratified. Has it not been said that on the Indian question all the British parties are practically one?

As regards Mr. Amery's assurance that the Government of India will consider the Congress leader's release when it is satisfied that they will not prejudice the maintenance of law and order and the safety of India as a war base, any reasonable Government would have been satisfied with Gandhiji's statement that he cannot at present start any campaign of mass civil disobedience. In his interview with Mr. Karaka, Mr. Amery argued that it was not enough for Gandhiji to suspend civil disobedience but that he should also give an assurance that "nothing would be done to impede or injure the war effort in India by direct opposition or by attempts to dislocate the economic situation". Gandhiji has not stopped at a negative statement about civil disobedience. He has asked all Congress workers to engage themselves in the constructive programme. Nay, when several constructive workers were needlessly suspected and were on the point of being provoked into some kind of individual disobedience Gandhiji has used his restraining influence, going so far in one case as to recommend at present "mute" constructive work. Nor has he opposed the formation of Congress Ministry in the Frontier Province a move which shows that it is not Congress policy to jeopardise law and order or the safety of India as a war base. If these circumstances do not induce Government to release the leaders even when the war situation has so much improved one cannot but feel that Government's policy still smacks of vindictiveness or illegitimate suspicion.

Some officials have such an uneasy conscience that they suspect the most harmless move of Congress workers, witness the foolish bans on the meetings of these workers in the districts of Nagpur and Akola. We now learn that the meeting of the Representative Assembly of the U. P. Congressmen, which was to be held at Benares on March 17 and 18, has been banned by the District Magistrate. Sir Francis Mudie, the Home Member, stated in the Central Assembly the other day that though Government appreciated the Congress constructive programme, it felt that "there was the danger that certain persons who did not share Mr. Gandhi's views might use the programme as a cloak for their subversive activities." If that fear justifies ban on even constructive activities or meetings to plan them, all relief work by Congressmen will be practically impossible. Have not the officials concerned intelligence enough to see which particular workers use constructive work as a cloak for subversive activities and prosecute them when they are found doing so? Or are the officials using the plea of suspicion as a cloak for their vindictiveness?

Frankly Speaking

More Peace Rumours.

We referred yesterday to the belief in Washington about the possibility of Germany approaching the Allies for peace within forty days, published a report that the Germans did address a peace offer to the Allies through Swedish intermediaries. The offer which meant that the Germans should be let off almost completely was naturally rejected. But the Nazi threat to let the Russians in, used as a black mailing counter, is psychologically interesting. There is no confirmation of this offer anywhere else and the Germans themselves have since denied it. The denial however means nothing and even if the Swedish paper's report is exaggerated, one need not now disbelieve statements like that of the Stockholm correspondent of the Associated Press of America that a German approach to the Allies has been attempted. We expect rapid developments towards peace

Test Of Yalta

The other day, Mr. Anthony Eden replied in the House of Commons to some questions relating to affairs in Rumania. From the trend and strict correctness of his statements regarding General Radesen now a refugee in the British Embassy, Russian attitude towards the Rumanian Government and strict censorship imposed by Russian authorities on the ground of security in the rear of the Red Army it was apparent that Mr. Anthony Eden was not quite happy over the situation. He did not of course, say so. But he admitted that Britain and America were consulting with Russia. Mr. Eden stopped there. The necessary elucidation, however, has now come from Washington in the following Reuter's despatch:

> The State Department announces that the United States has asked Soviet Russia and Britain to hold consultations under the Yalta agreement on political conditions in Rumania.
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> It was added that the present Rumanian regime headed by Premier Petru Groza leader of the Communist-controlled national Democratic front, is considered here a minority Government not representative of all Democratic elements of the country.

Without pronouncing on the merits of the difference among the Big Three it can be said that Rumania has provided the "first serious test of the Yalta agreement. On its success of failure will depend the future of bigger things.

Churchill As Tory Leader

The Conservative Party of Great Britain is clearing the decks for electioneering action. In fact, the first shot has been fired. It was moreover, Mr. Churchill himself who did it and even though he did not chalk the shell it was certainly addressed "Labour-Socialist Party—personally". He made the speech as the Leader of the Conservative Party, pure and fighting. This is important. Mr. Winston Churchill has chosen—and given public notice of his decision—to use his prestige and services as a war-time national leader to lead the Conservatives to power. The Tories will get Mr. Churchill's full and fighting support at the next General Election. And it will be the support of a 100 per cent Tory partisan to a 100 per cent Tory cause. The Premier's speech gives open and ample indications of it.

Back To The Past

Like a good controversialist he gets off the mark with an attack on the opposition. The "Left-wing politicians" will take up Mr. Churchill's accusation and challenge quite cheerfully. What will interest not only the British public but a considerable part of the world too is Mr. Churchill's enthusiastic and militant championship of "free enterprise". What this means is that Mr. Churchill would do his best to take Britain back to an economy condemned by most of the world as unjust and unsocial. Imperialism and Tory "democracy" in other words status quo ante-bellum, in fact, in a worse form since the war has exposed both as evil; this is Mr. Winston Churchill's programme and election platform. It is a complete surrender of post-war Britain to the old Tory governing class and it would be interesting to see how the common man who, in sober fact, has given his or her "blood and sweat tears and toil" to win the war reacts to Mr. Churchill's challenge. Incidentally, need he have been so fiercely denunciatory of controls? His abuse and invectives apply to Britain's great and gallant ally, Russia too!

"Attitudes And Latitudes"

By "Birbal"

WANTED FAITH:

Let us rejoice. India is, after all, to take a seat at San Francisco among the free nations of the world. It is painful to see that there are some misguided countrymen of ours who still grumble and point out that India is to be represented, not by Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, but by Sir A. Ramaswami Mudaliar and Sir Firoz Khan Noon. This cavilling attitude shows how wrong-minded some people can be. They evidently expect the other United Nations to demand that Britain should hold free election to enable the elected representatives of the Indian people to go to San Francisco. Do they realise that logically the same demand could be made, for instance, on Marshal Stalin to permit free elections to be held in Russia before M. Litvinov (M. Molotov being too busy establishing "a strong and independent Poland" to leave Moscow) can be allowed to take his seat? And then where "would" we be?

There are other captious critics who quarrel with the formula arrived at by the Big Three regarding voting in the Security Council proposed to be set up to maintain the peace of the world. They point out that no action can be taken against an aggressor unless all the Big Five "unanimously" support such action. Supposing, God banish the thought, Russia or Britain were to commit an act of aggression, it can be a judge and accused at the same time and stop the international tribunal from moving a finger to help its victim.

All this misguided doubt and cynicism is based on a lack of faith. What is wanted is that, in order to understand international affairs correctly, we should put our implicit trust in the Big Three, who, through the course of centuries, have shown such deep devotion to the cause of world peace. In fact, it is difficult to understand Mr. Eden's caution and modesty when he claimed that on this basis they could establish peace for twenty-five or fifty years. But why only twenty-five or fifty? Given faith, we should be able to sing with Alexander Pope, not only for a generation but for eternity: "One truth is clear, whatever is, is right."

For the education of misguided critics, 'Birbal' would like to quote from the 'Dictionary for Workers' published in the American Socialist weekly "Labour Action"; DUMBARTON OAKS: This is a seedling of peace rooted firmly in the air. It is an agreement which will make this world safe from Iceland, Patagonia, Mozambique and other great Powers but does not as yet see how it will avert minor fracases (e.g., World War III) between the smaller countries like Russia, Britain and the United States. For the world to be spared another war between these minor powers, Dumbartan Oaks says, it must have faith in the basic love of peace common to these countries."

PRESSING MATTER.

'A. P.' comes to India—that is how the Associated Press of America announced its invasion of India. More invasions of this kind are inevitable, even Rumanian and Bulgarian belligerency is to be expected. But freedom of news exchange for India at this stage is as good or as bad as freedom of trade. The rush of cables —the U. P. of America has already made some headway—does not mean glut of news because "inside dopesters" are refurbishing only our dustbins by purveying views of minor prophets. Reuter does it but, who wants the British press-owned Reuter? There is a hush-hush movement among Indian papers to establish a co-operative enterprise among themselves, like the A. P. of America. This will be welcomed. The agency should not be throttled in its prenatal slumbers either by the Government or fifth-column sabotage. The charting of the news routes cannot be left to the tin-gods who do not know the difference between the Antipodes and the centipedes. The effect will have to be strong, purposeful, untainted. The dough-boys may bring in fresh air but not necessarily from Puerto Rico or the Philippines. There is already too much of a yah-yahing Yankeeism which seeks to establish even newspapers in the country. They may hit our Anglo-Indian cousins hip and thigh and confuse the already befuddled English language in this country with Connecticut slang. But what good will they do to us? They are clearly dangers ahead but the great est danger is that our press is behaving like a secret society—or Tor-H—as far as its own business is concerned. Why?

HALF A LEAGUE ONWARD!

Usually a dilemma is two horned. But Mr. Jinnah being a unique man, is not content with that. He has patiently built for himself a multi horned dilemma to ride which without harm to his political ego, seems to be his ambition. Will he be able to ride it? Or will some kind Samaritan come to his aid as Gandhiji did when he initiated the famous Mount Pleasant Negotiations, at a time when Mr. Jinnah's perch seemed very precarious? That is a question that many people are asking themselves.

Then Mr. Jinnah had lost only one Ministry and it was only in one province that the League had been exposed as a shaky limited concern whose shareholders invest only political opportunism. To-day it is much more serious. In Sind the business of leading the League has been equally divided between two people who refuse to obey Mr. Jinnah unless he agrees with them about the nature of the command he should issue. Mr. Syed's position seems to be quite clear. He will "surrender" to Mr. Jinnah as long as every one in the Sind League surrenders to him. But that has not been hitherto an arrangement that Mr. Jinnah could tolerate. Will his tolerating it make the League more of a "people's party" than it has hitherto been? Mr. Syed whose sympathies are Marxian when they are not strictly League says it will. But is it that type of "people" that Mr. Jinnah wants in Pakistan's Power Party? It is confusing but then Sind has always confused people outside it, and taking possession has always left behind it memories of sinning

In the Frontier Province the problem is not quite so fraternal in the sense that Mr. Jinnah is not called upon to adjudicate between contestant legatees to his Dictatorial goodwill. The League crept into office there because it consented for the sake of office without responsibility, to do all the dirty work for the ruling bureaucratic cause. But such work has obviously not been impressive enough to make the Governor agreeable to keeping all the Congress legislators in prison as long as Sardar Aurangzeb Khan wanted. It will not be beyond Mr. Jinnah to regard this as a callous breach of contract by a partner whose liabilities he himself has never hesitated to shoulder.

But Sind and the Frontier do not exhaust the story of the Quaidi Azam's discomforts. In Bihar there has been trouble. At the last meeting of the Provincial Muslim League seventeen discontented people walked out and it became necessary for the party Boss to explain that it was not really as bad as it looked. In the United Provinces Choudhry Khaliquzzaman who has the reputation of being the most intelligent man in the League (of course, saving the Quaidi Azam's presence) and Nawab Mohammed Ismail have registered dissatisfaction with the order as it obtains now. In Bengal as usual there is chronic trouble. To the local Boss of Assam it is reported certain words of reproof have been sent by Mr. Jinnah.

The times in fact seem to be extremely troublesome. That probably is why Mr. Jinnah does not oppose the circulation of reports to the effect that the Desai-Liaquat talks are not yet completely dead, for he has always found a friend in need amongst his enemies whenever there have been none on his own side.

THIS INDIA

P. C. Joshi, leader of the Communist Party of India, has claimed that his party has the largest number of female membership;

(Press Item: 25/2/45).

Suggestion that age of consent marriage of Hindu girls should be raised to 21 preferably 25 as it was necessary due to Communist activities, was made by Mr. P. N. Brahma and Mr. Sanat Roy Choudhury, both ex-Mayors of Calcutta and others before the Hindu Law Committee. One witness said some guardians lost control of their daughters aid they were married to Communists.

(Press Item: 28/2/45).

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SAVARKAR'S BROTHER DEAD

SANGLI March 16. (A.P.I.)

The death occurred after prolonged illness of Mr. Ganesh Damodar Savarkar, brother of Mr. V. D. Savarkar. He was a political convict with his brother and was sentence to transportation for life. He was 65 years of age.

Income Tax Enquiry "Bristling With Illegalities"

C. P. M. Acquits Mr. D. D. Shroff And Passes Severe Strictures On Procedure Of Officials

The Chief Presidency Magistrate acquitted Mr. D. D. Shroff of charges framed against him by Mr. A. J. Shah, Income-tax Officer, Section III (Central) for giving false evidence in an inquiry under Section 37 of the Indian Income-tax Act before Mr. Shah.

These proceedings lasted before the Learned Magistrate for over 18 months and there were 82 effective hearings. Mr. M. C. Setalvad and Mr. S. G. Velinkar appeared for the Crown and Sir Jamshedji Kanga and Mr. C. N. Kanga appeared for the accused.

The Magistrate in his Judgment upheld the objections raised by the defence on practically every ground. He held that the proceedings before Mr. Shah were conducted by the Inspecting Assistant Commissioner, Mr. Thompson, in violation of the provisions of the Indian Income-tax Act and that those proceedings were not conducted in accordance with the ordinary principles of fairness and justice. On the point raised by the prosecution that the accused waived his right to the inquiry being held by Mr. Thompson in the place of Mr. Shah, the Magistrate held that there was no proof of such waiver and has not accepted the version of Mr. Thompson on this ground. In the result the Learned Magistrate held that there was a breach of the provisions of the Act. Mr. Thompson as Inspecting Assistant Commissioner had no powers to conduct any proceedings of a Judicial nature under Section 37 of the Act and the Magistrate disbelieved the case of the Crown that in fact Mr. Shah conducted the proceedings and not Mr. Thompson, and he held that it was Mr. Thompson and Mr. Thompson alone who had the reigns in his hands and it was his brain that directed, continued and controlled the whole proceedings while Mr. Shah merely performed the clerical duty of administering an oath.....and of recording the evidence as a Stenographer might do.

In arriving at this conclusion, the Learned Magistrate adopted the Judgment of Beaumont C.J. "in a certiorari" proceedings initiated by Mr. D. D. Shroff in respect of the self-same assessment, where the conduct of the whole assessment proceedings was criticised by His Lordships as the Magistrate remarked in "scathing terms."

The Learned Magistrate went on to hold that the Judgment of the Chief Justice was not mere obiter and that after fuller inquiry before him he was satisfied that the "opinion expressed by the Chief Justice was a considered opinion upon sufficient evidence placed before him" and he agreed with the reasoning of the learned Chief Justice.

Mr. Brown upheld further objections raised by the accused, viz., that Mr. Shah was not legally appointed Officer, Section III (Central), or empowered as such to hold the inquiry under Section 37 of the Indian Income-tax Act for re-assessment of the accused's income and that, in fact, as the assessment proceedings for the year 1937-38 had been duly completed by another Income-tax Officer, there was no valid transfer for re-assessment of those proceedings from that Officer to the Income-tax Officer, Section III (Central)

In the course of the inquiry before the Income-tax Authorities 35 witnesses were examined and the Magistrate held that the examination of these witnesses in the absence of the accused was conducted in a manner contrary to the principles of fairness and natural justice. In the prosecution itself several witnesses were examined to depose to certain payments alleged to have been received by the accused and which formed the basis of the charge of perjury. The Learned Magistrate held that actually the prosecution failed to prove that the accused gave answers in the course of the inquiry which he knew to be false or believed to be false.

Summing up the case the Learned Magistrate said: "After a careful scrutiny of all the evidence, both oral and documentary, and after giving the fullest weight to the arguments of Counsel, it is clear that the proceedings before Mr. Shah were bristling with illegalities and therefore cannot by any stretch of imagination be held to be valid proceedings. I hold that the accused has not committed any offence under Section 193 of the Indian Penal Code and acquit him of the charges framed against him."

Eliminate Racial Discrimination Within United Nations' Borders

Coloured Peoples League's Memorandum For 'Frisco: Cultural Centre In London Proposed

LONDON, March 16. (Reuter): Elimination by the United Nations within their own borders of "these practices of racial discrimination against which they are fighting" is asked for in a memorandum drawn up by the League of Coloured Peoples and other organisations for presentation to the San Francisco Conference.

The memorandum says that Dr. Harold Moody in his presidential address at the League's annual meeting in London tonight asked also for complete equality for coloured peoples and rapid progress to pull literacy and economic, social and political stability.

"We must command these things by the manner in which we tackle the problems of life confronting us", he said.

In the cultural centre in London which they envisaged and for which it was proposed to make an appeal for 50,000 sterling, coloured people would be encouraged so as to face their own problems in their own lands as rapidly to bring about the desired conditions.

The future happiness of the world would not depend upon material possessions or comfort as such, nor upon unifying mankind into one nondescript whole, but upon each national group developing its own "things of spirit" and finding pride in sharing them with other national groups. In the centre it was their desire to inculcate such ideas.

LITVINOV TO LEAD RUSSIAN DELEGATION

LONDON March 16, (Reuter) The Vice-Commissar for Foreign Affairs, M. Litvinov, may lead the Soviet delegation to the San Francisco Conference. This report, current in London diplomatic circles today is based on the view that the Foreign Commissar, M. Molotov will be fully occupied with the final phases of the war against Germany.

Indications are that there will be some negotiating behind the scenes at the Conference, and that experienced negotiators will be required by the nations most interested. M Litvinov's command over English gives him considerable advantages, and if assisted by his fellow Vice-Commissar, M. Ivan Maisky, ex-Ambassador in London, the Soviet team would be exceptionally strong.

So far only six out of the 45 nations who will be present have appointed their delegates.

Transjordan Premier's Protest

CAIRO March 16 (Reuter): The Transjordan Premier, Samir Elifai Pacha, arrived in Cairo this afternoon for Arab League talks. He told Reuter he had protested to the big powers against the United Nations not having sent Transjordan an invitation to the San Francisco Conference but hopes that Transjordan might yet be invited.

Why Windsor Resigned

LONDON, March 16 (A. P. A.): The "Daily Mirror" in a dispatch from New York quotes a "close friend" of the Duke of Windsor as saying the Duke felt he could do a better job in Canada than in the Bahamas, where he has resigned as Governor, but "the Canadians would not stand for it."

The "Mirror" said the Duke and Duchess would live in France on their departure from Nassau.

The "Mirror's" diplomatic correspondent in London said that for some time there has been growing friction between the Duke and a section of the European business community.

"Their approach to questions of native welfare and native representation in the Government of the Bahamas has been widely different," he said.

NEW GOVERNOR FOR BAHAMAS

The King has approved the appointment of Mr. W. L. Murphy, Colonial Secretary, Bermuda, as Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Bahamas in succession to the Duke of Windsor.

BIHAR SECEDES

PATNA March 16: At a meeting of the newly elected delegate members of the Bihar Provincial Dass Sabha held here to-day under the presidentship of Swami Sahjanand full confidence in Swamiji was recorded and the following resolution adopted:—

"After having taken full consideration of the condition obtaining in the Kisan Sabha and in view of the recent revolt by the Communists it is the considered opinion of the delegate members that the Bihar Provincial Kisan Sabha should have no connection with the A.I.R.S. sought to be constituted at present by the Communists".—United Press.

ANOTHER "LIE" INCIDENT

Grigg-Bevan Brush-Up In Commons

LONDON, March 15: There was another "lie" incident in the Commons tonight this time involving Mr. Aneurin Bevan (Labour) and the War Minister, Sir James Grigg.

When war estimates were being discussed several Conservative members had raised the question of compulsory service after the war. Mr. Bevan said the assumption that Britain was going to make preparations almost immediately for another war machine assumed in its turn that all attempts being made to organise a system of collective security were bound to fail. He asserted that expanding the war machine would not give security. This could only be obtained by international co-operation which led to progressive reduction of the war machine.

Replying to the debate Sir James Grigg said that Mr. Bevan had said "If you want war, prepare for war" and all that sort of thing. Sir James added that he thought that sort of argument had been crushingly disproved in the last 25 years. Mr. Bevan might remember that for one year in this war Britain was absolutely alone and unless she was prepared on the occasion to stand along then she would not survive.

Mr. Bevan: We don't believe that at all. Are you going to have an army on professional basis alone and how big will it be?

Sir James Grigg: It stood alone anyhow without an awful lot of help from Mr. Bevan.

Mr. Bevan: That is a lie.

The Speaker insisted that Mr. Bevan should withdraw that word "without any sideline or qualification." This Mr. Bevan eventually did.

On the subject of compulsory service Sir James Grigg said that when the question of weather there would be compulsory service or not was decided the War Office would be perfectly ready to produce a complete scheme for the army for the consideration of his colleagues. Until then he could not make any declaration.—Reuter.

Chimur Mercy Petitions For King

NEW DELHI, March 16. (U. P. I.): The "United Press" learns that arrangements are being made to suspend the execution of death sentences on the Ashti and Chimur case prisoners believed to be fixed for March 20.

His Excellency the Viceroy has already rejected the mercy petitions and Mrs. Anusuyabai Kale, member of the C.P. Assebly has been here trying to forward the mercy petition to His Majesty the King. It is suggested that pending the disposal of the mercy petition by the King the execution may be suspended and applications in this regard are being sent to the jailor.

Mrs. Kale met Mr. Bhulabhai Desai, leader of the Congress Party in this connection.

JOG'S BOOK NOT FOR PATTABHI

MADRAS March 16.

It is reliably understood that the Bombay Government have refused to forward the book entitled "Churchill's Blind Spot on India" by Mr. N. G. Jog to Dr. Pattabhi Sitaramayya, Member of the Congress Working Committee.

The letters written regularly by Dr. Pattabhi to his family show that he is keeping sound health. —United Press.

LEAGUE PARTY WALKS OUT

LAHORE, March 16. (A. P. I.)

A walk-out was staged by the Muslim League Party in the Punjab Assembly towards the fag end of the sitting, as a protest against what the party leader, Sardar Shaukat Hyat Khan, described in a Press statement "the machinations of the Government to prevent the Muslim League Party from speaking on the vital subject of post-war reconstruction" under discussion on a cut motion to a budget demand.

The members of the Party walked-out of the House as soon as the Premier Malik Khizar Hayat began his reply to the debate.

JAWAHARLAL NOT FOR NAINI

LUCKNOW, March 16. (U. P. I.)

The "United Press" reliably understands that Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru will not be lodged in the Naini Central Jail. It is likely that he will be sent either to Bareilly or Dehra Dun as Pandit Nehru was never kept during summer in plains.

It is also learnt that Pandit Govind Ballabh Pant will be consulted by the Government if he wished to be operated upon for hernia. It is learnt in case he agrees to be operated upon he will most likely be released unconditionally.

All-India Team Scores 368 For 8 At Madras

MADRAS, March 16 (A.P.I.)—The three-day match between the All-India team to tour Ceylon and H.E. the Governor's XI commenced today on the M.C.C. ground before a gathering of about 5,000. Merchant won the toss and the All-India team batting first put up a total of 368 for eight wickets in the first innings.

Scores:—V. M. Merchant, c Johnstone, b Ghulam Ahmed 27, V. Mankad, l.b.w., b Ramsingh 70, Mushtaq, st. Sanjiva Rao, b Palia 54, V. Hazare, b Palia 17, Amarnath batting 77, R. S. Modi, c Johnstone, b Rangachari 38, Kishenchand c and b Rangachari 4, Nimbalkar, c Gopalan, b Rangachari 3, C. S. Navudu, b Rangachari 58, Sarwate batting 3, Extras 17, Total (for 8 wickets) 368.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

LAHORE, March 15: Two Muslim members of the Unionist Party, who joined the Muslim League during the last session, have returned to the Ministerial fold. They are Chaudhri Talibhamsain and Rai Shahadat Khan. This reduces the strength of the Muslim League Party to 57 in a house of 175.—A. P.

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Commenting on the personnel of the Indian delegation to San Francisco, Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru says: 'This is once again an illustration of how the India Office can succeed in alienating Indian opinion."

This success, therefore, entitles Mr. Amery to another of the many bars to a civil—Imperial equivalent of the D. S. O., its D. S. M. going to Sir Olaf Caroe.

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Sjt. Bhulabhai Desai believes that if "liberated" Asia, Africa, Jawa, Sumatra, etc., were to go back to their old masters then notwithstanding the immense loss of life and destruction of wealth, the world would be no better than it was in 1939.

The Congress leader is entirely wrong. Can't he really see the difference between the pre-war world and the post-war world? Can't he, for instance,—but we hope he has begun to see?

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Sir Frederick Puckle whose sacred task in the U. S. A. is to enlighten Americans on the real truth about India, solemnly assures them that Independence for India would "solve exactly nothing."

Therefore, in order to solve exactly everything India must continue to enjoy dependence on Britain as usual.

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Mr. Amery's latest reply regarding detained Congress leaders has caused great relief to M. P. friends of India. And we agree with our friends.

It IS a great improvement on his earlier attitude for Mr. Amery to say that "it is not intended to detain the Congress leaders indefinitely." Now we can confidently expect their release by, say, the year 1950.

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A United Press message, reporting the first day's proceedings in the Sind Assembly says: 'Both the Premier and Mr. G. M. Syed refuted the statement made by Khan Bahadur Moula Baksh."

That is to say, refuted the pledge given by Sir Ghulam Husain in writing. Not bad, particularly for Sir Ghulam Husain Hidayatullah.

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According to an Anglo-Indian report, Sir Ghulam Husain, explaining the dropping of Khan Bahadur Moula Baksh said that "he had to obey his party as without its support he could not be a Minister or a Premier."

Exactly. Exactly.

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Speaking like a good conservative at the Conservative Party Conference, Mr. Churchill shouted: "control for control's sake is senseless; control under the pretext of war or its aftermath which are, in fact, designed to favour the accomplishment of totalitarian systems, however innocently designed, whatever guise they take, whatever liveries they wear, whatever slogans they mouth are a fraud which should be mercilessly exposed to the British public."

Loud cheers, Hear, hear, Ecstatic applause, Enthusiastic shrieks .....

But—but—good heavens what will his friend Marshal Stalin say?

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"When my husband comes home late, I never give him any breakfast."

"When my husband comes home late, he never wants any breakfast."

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Some men go about looking for temptation to yield to.

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Charity is the cream generated by the milk of human kindness.

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It's a wise man that knows how to live—on his wife's relations.

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Being an endless affair a wedding ring frequently gets one into no end of trouble.

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Lives of some statesmen remind us that it is sometimes better to be obscure.

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Charity begins at home—but if you haven't got a home of your own you can easily get the loan of one to practice on.

3 Arts To Hold Symposium On "As I Look Ahead"

3 Arts Spring Lunch, on March 11, at the Taj was a brilliant function attended by a large and distinguished gathering.

Mrs. Shirin Pozdar the chief speaker gave a fascinating discourse on "The Influence of Religions on Civilisation."

Dr. Udashi gave a skit on making a 'holi' of man made religions well acted and sung by his Omkar Natak group. Seth N. J. Bhao, in memory of P. M. Jaweri, donated beautiful medals to the girl performers. Seth Wali Mohammad Sonawala gave bouquets to the distinguished guests. It was announced that a Function will be held in honour of the Mayor, on the 24th March, when S. K. Patil, Fyzee Rahamin and another will give their views of "As I Look Ahead".

New American Landing In Solomons

Jap Premier To Participate Directly In Conduct Of War

U. S. TROOPS CAPTURE MANICAHAN IN PHILIPPINE FIGHTING

MANILA, March 16: Americans have landed on the north-east coast of Bougainville island in the Solomons, says Gen. MacArthur's communique.

On Mindanao the Americans have captured Manicahan on the east flank and Sanramon on the west of the Zamboanga bridgehead.

American patrol bombers sank a Japanese destroyer, a 5,000-ton tanker and four small freighters in the China sea.—Reuter.

PREMIER TO PARTICIPATE IN CONDUCT OF WAR

LONDON, March 16: The Japanese News Agency to-day said that the Japanese Prime Minister, Gen. Koiso will henceforth directly participate in the direction of the general conduct of the war at the Imperal Headquarters. He will have the same status as Army and Navy Chiefs at the Imperial Headquarters and also as War and Navy Ministers.

That announcement added that this special arrangement had been made "in view of the current military situation and with the approval of the Emperor".

NON-ESSENTIALS TO EVACUATE FIVE CITIES

The German Overseas News Agency reports that the Japanese Government has appealed to all people whose presence is non-essential to evacuate Japan's five biggest cities Tokyo, Yokohama, Nagoya Osaka and Kobe.

BR. FLEET TOOK PART IN MINDANAO LANDINGS

The Tokyo Radio reports that units of the British fleet based on Australia took part in the American landings on Mindanao.

HONGKONG BOMBED

NEW YORK, March 16: A Japanese broadcast picked up here to-day said that two American planes bombed Hongkong at noon on Thursday. The Japanese report said that the planes "are believed to have come from the Philippines".

FOUR 'SUPERFORTS' LOST: 30 SAVED

GUAM Friday: Thirty 'Superfortresses' returning from incendiary raids on Japanese cities have been saved by intermediate landings on the hardwon Iwo-jima air strips.

Iwo which is roughly midway between Japan and 'Superfort' bases in the Marianas is beginning to pay the dividend.

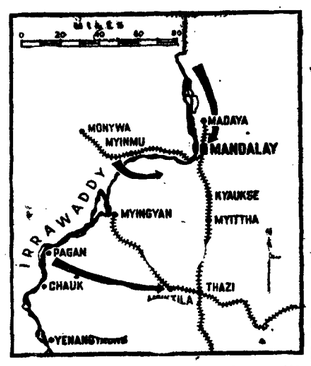
It was reported here on Wednesday that in the last three attacks on Japan's most concentrated industrial areas at Tokyo, Nagoya and Osaka only four 'superforts' were lost.

SINO-AUSTRALIAN AGREEMENT

CANBERRA, Friday: The Australian Prime Minister, Mr. John Curtin speaking at a farewell luncheon to Dr. Mo Hsu, until recently Chinese Minister to Australia and now appointed to Turkey said that negotiations for an agreement between Australia and China had been almost completed.

It is understood that the agreement will involve the abandonment by Australia of any claim to extra-territorial rights in the former Treaty areas of China.

Dr. Hsu said: "China's future policy must be to develop her own resources and seek no space outside her own boundaries. She will not flood your market with cheap goods".—Reuter.



BATTLE FOR MANDALAY CONTINUES

ADV. HQ. ALFSEA March 16: To-day's SEAC "Communique" says:

FOURTEENTH ARMY: Troops of the Second British Division made a further advance eastwards from their bridgehead south of the Irrawaddy and captured a village. Progress has been made towards Ava (10 miles south-west of Mandalay) against opposition.

In Mandalay operations are continuing against stubborn opposition. The railway station is reported clear but the enemy is still in surrounding buildings.

In the Meiktila area a number of Japanese counter-attacks have been dealt with by our armoured columns which have carried out successful sweeps and destroyed a number of guns after overrunning the gun positions.

NORTHERN COMBAT AREA: Chinese troops continued to advance south along the Namtu-Hsipaw road. Flank units also made good progress.

The 36th British Division troops moving south-west along the main road from Mongmit towards Mogok are half way to that town.

Chinese First Army troops made slight progress along the Lashio-Hsipaw road.

FIFTEENTH INDIAN CORPS: Active patrolling continues.

Enemy occupied buildings at Gyobyu, 40 miles north of Rangoon, were bombed.

PHONE FROM AKYAB TO DELHI

It is now possible to speak on a telephone from Akyab to Delhi—a distance of 1,100 miles as the crow flies. That this is so is due to a remarkable achievement by the Fifteenth Indian Corps of signals writes a SEAC observer.

JAPAN SHOULD NOT HAVE MORE THAN FOUR MAIN ISLANDS

NEW YORK March 16: Admiral Harry Yarnell, United States Navy, retired, urges that Japan "be deprived of all islands and territory outside her four main islands" as a step "to convince present and future Japanese that war does not pay."

Uppermost among the measures recommended for Japan by the former American Naval Commander in the Pacific is the abolition of secret societies.—A. P. A.

ALLAHABAD DT. CONGRESS PROPERTY

ALLAHABAD March 16: It is understood that the District Magistrate Allahabad, has ordered restoration of all the property belonging to the District Congress Committee, Allahabad seized by the Government during August 1942.

JAP MINISTER KILLED IN AIR RAID

CHUNGKING, March 15: The Japanese Cabinet Minister and fourteen members of the Japanese Diet were killed and burned as a result of the bombings of Tokio, according to "Si Grys", the organ of the Sactangpoo, quoting Tuesday's Tokio daily, "Yomiuri".

The name of the Cabinet Minister is not disclosed.—U. P. A.

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SKIM MILK TEA DEMONSTRATIONS FOR HOTEL-KEEPERS

F (North and South) Wards

Demonstrations in the preparation of tea from skim milk powder will be given by the Indian Tea Market Expansion Board for the benefit of hotel-keepers in the F (South) and F (North) Wards to-day (March 17). The demonstrations will be given at the premises of the Ward Rationing Offices (addresses below) from 2-30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Hotel-keepers interested to learn the proper way of making skim milk tea should go to the Ward Rationing Office concerned at the appointed hour to witness the demonstration.

F (South)—Bhavsar Kshatriya Mahajan Wadi, Chamarbaug Road. Parel.

F (North)—Nappoo Hall, Matunga.

2 Canoes Packed With Jap Troops Sunk

Occupants Appeared Like Burmans First

KYAUKPYU HARIH, Mar. 14 (A.P.I.): An R.I.N. motor launch of Arakan coastal forces, patrolling the Thanzit river east of Ramree, last night sank two canoes packed with Jap troops and drove two others ashore where they were plastered with gunfire, writes an R.I.N. observer.

The M. L. first sighted one canoe whose occupants appeared to be Burman, so the M.L.'s Burmese coou was summoned to hail them and ask their business.

The reply was a burst of rifle fire directed at the M.L., who promptly opened up with all her guns on this canoe and three others which had come into sight.

WORLD TRADE NEEDS STABLE GOVT. IN INDIA

Mere Independence Will Solve Nothing, Says Puckle In America

NEW YORK, March 16 (A.P.): Sir Frederick Puckle, advisor to the British Embassy, said yesterday that while Britain has agreed upon the question of Indian independence as evidenced by the Cripps offer, independence would "solve exactly nothing."

Sir Frederick said it was important to every country including the United States that Indian Government should be strong and stable if trade is to be maintained. He added that India also is a key point in the peace of the post-war world, asserting "a strong India working with the rest of the world would ensure peace for all South-East Asia as well as for Afghanistan, Persia and Arabia."

Finance Bill Debate

WHY NOT COPY U.S. FOR INDIAN REPRESENTATION AT 'FRISCO

Krishnamachari Pleads For Better Deal To India At International Conferences

NEW DELHI, March 16 (A.P.): The Central Assembly continued the debate on the Finance Bill to-day.

Sir Frederick James (European Group) paid a tribute to the achievements of India's armed forces in the many theatres of war and said it would be encouraging if a message went from the House conveying special congratulations to the Fourteenth Army which, during the past 12 months had completely revolutionised the situation on the Indian frontier and conducted one of the most brilliant campaigns in history. He would also like to pay a warm tribute to the work of the C.-in-C., General Sir Claude Auchinleck, for his untiring labours in fitting the forces under his Command and his readiness to consider suggestions made whether in the House or outside.

Regarding the R. I. N., asked what had happened to the question of pensions of ratings, petty officers and chief petty officers of the R. I. N., which he said were wholly inadequate and were half or one-fourth of the rates of pensions received by other ranks of the I.A.F.

Sir Frederick further was disappointed with the emoluments of the I.A.F. personnel.

On behalf of his constituency Sir Frederick pressed that there should be a representative of Coorg in the House.

Urging that retail shops for Government employees should be closed down, Sir Frederick said the existence of these shops perpetuated and deepened the distinction between officials and non-officials in regard to supply. As far as he was aware this measure was not adopted in any other part of the Empire.

Sir Frederick went on to ask for a careful justification of our post-war fiscal policy. He suggested an enquiry into the whole system of the working of the P.W.D. organisation with particular reference to capital works, economy, standisation of designs including preparation of contract documents.

INQUIRY INTO ORDINANCES

Mr. T. T. Krishnamachari (Nationalist) asked Government to explain the action they proposed to take with regard to delegated legislation and ordinances so far as they affected the permanent law of the country. He urged that a committee should be appointed to investigate whether it was still necessary for all the ordinances to stand or whether some of them could be repealed. They could, for instance, repeal the Ordinance of August 15, 1942, which empowered members of the Allied forces to put civilians to death under certain circumstances.

Referring to international organisations in which India was interested and to which she contributed financially, he said that India had contributed 48 units and came next to U. K. Even France contributed less than India. The International Labour Office was doing useful work, but what was the position of Indians in this organisation Mr. Krishnamachari asked. Even Japan, by setting up an agitation, could let an Under-Secretary-General's post for a Japanese, but Indians had been nowhere among the higher officers in the League of Nations' Secretariat.

Mr. Krishnamachari asked for more particulars about the agenda of the San Francisco Conference, which, he thought, would lay the foundations of another League of Nations. He pointed out that the American delegation consisted of representatives of the two parties in that country, and included a woman. There was no harm in copying someone else's example if it was good.

Mr. Krishnamachari went on to discuss Government's policy of import control, and said that, though India had escaped from the clutches of the Imperial Chemicals, other foreign companies were taking its place. He read from a long list of articles proposed to be imported, beginning with brandy, gin and whisky and including toilet articles and second-hand clothing, and asked whether there was one article in it which would benefit the people of this country.

MOUTH-ORGANS FOR GREECE

Mr. Krishnamachari quoted from a publication which stated that Germany had brought wholesale stocks of wheat, etc., from Rumania, Hungary and other countries, and in order to liquidate blocked credits in consequence, Yugoslavia had to buy large stocks of aspirin and Greece mouth-organs. (laughter). He was afraid a similar thing might happen to this country.

Mr. N. M. Joshi pleaded for betterment of the service conditions of the subordinate and inferior Government servants. He said that Government should revise their scale of pay and do something for the future of the very large number of temporary clerks and other personnel who had been engaged on account of the war. It was hightime that Government at least restored the old scale of pay.

Prof. N. G. Ranga did not want to congratulate the Finance Member on his stewardship of India's finances. During the last six years the Finance Member had done his work in a conscientious manner but Prof. Ranga felt that it had only benefited the British. He criticised the imposition of the Commodity Tax. Prof. Ranga had not concluded his speech when the House adjourned till Monday.

ROAD- RAIL CO-ORDINATION

Benthall Says Provinces Dependent On Centre's Lead

NEW DELHI, March 15. (A.P.I.): At question time in the Central Assembly, the War Transport Member, Sir Edward Benthall, replying to Mr. T. S. A. Chettiar explained the present position with regard to road-rail co-ordination.

At the recent meeting of the Transport Advisory Council, he said, all provinces were unanimous on the general need for road-rail co-ordination and six provinces agreed to railway administrations acquiring a substantial interest in road transport companies, provided acquisition of shares was by negotiation with the companies and in consultation with the provincial authorities concerned. Seven porvinces had no objection to railway participating in the carriage of goods by road either parallel or complementary to railways. There was no objection to railways operating their own collection and delivery services for goods. The general position of the Provincial Government at present appeared to be that they were awaiting the view of the Central Government following on the discussions which had taken place in this House, pending which they were themselves unable to come to any decisions concerning the methods of co-ordination.

Police Officer Discharged Of Theft Charge

Sub-Inspector D. N. Tote, attached to the Prohibition Department of the City Police force, who stood charged with theft, was ordered to be discharged by Mr. R. Mathalone Presidency Magistrate, Esplanade Police Court.

The flat of Mr. A. H. Kagalwala at Dadar was broken into on December 10, last. S. I. Tote stays in the same building and on learning this he sent information to Kagalwala and also phoned to police. In the meanwhile when he was standing in front of the flat he heard some noise inside Mr. Kagalwala's flat and he went inside and putting electric light on he saw, what caused the noise. While coming out he stumbled against some articles which he picked up to see when two of Mr. Kagalwala's friends rushed in. A complaint of theft was lodged and S. I. Tote was charged with theft.

The Magistrate accepted S. I. Tote's explanation and remarking that the two witnesses who deposed against him seemed to be very excliable persons and were inclined to exaggerate considerably discharged the accused.

ACTIVITY ON LANCASHIRE FRONT

LONDON, March 16.

Four cotton mills in Britain, for which between twelve and fourteen thousand workers must be found will be reopened shortly, the "Daily Telegraph" said today.

Sir Frank Platt, Cotton Controller, in announcing the re-opening, said "This is the turn of the tide for the cotton industry. It is the beginning of the upward trend."

He added that the supply position of cotton goods continues to depreciate and it is hoped at a later date that two or three other mills would be reopened.

The four mills in question were among the 150 closed under the "concentration" scheme of 1941.—U. P. A.

Stock Prices Improve In New York

NEW YORK, March 15.

Stock prices improved on the basis of Mr. Winston Churchill's prediction that the war would end this summer or sooner and also on his promise of Britain co-operating in the war against Japan after Germany's final defeat.—U. P. A.

SALES OF CUBAN SUGAR CROP

BAVANA, March 15: Senator Jose Casanova, President of the Cuban Millowners' Association, to-day confirmed reports that the 1945 sugar crop sold for 3.10 cents per pound for Cuban ports.

He also said negotiations are still continuing over details of sugar sales and also the sale of molasses.—U. P. of America.

CHARTERED BANK PROFITS

LONDON, March 16.—(AP FINANCIAL SERVICE)—The Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China announce that at its General Body Meeting to be held on March 28 the Directors will recommend a dividend of 5 p c per annum for the last half year. This, together with the interim dividend, will make 5 p c for the year less tax. The Directors are also expected to recommend that 50,000 pounds sterling be added to the Officers Pension Fund, 5,000 pounds sterling to Widows and Orphans Fund and 100,000 pounds sterling be set aside to meet contingencies, the amount to be carried forward being £387,372-0-2d.

NEW YORK COTTON QUOTATIONS

NEW YORK, March 15.—The following are the high, low and closing quotations for future deliveries on the New York Cotton Exchange today:—

Delivery: March High 22.18, Low 22.10, Close 22.14—02
Delivery: April High 22.10 nom.
Delivery May High 22.17, Low 22.06, Close 22.06—09
Delivery: June High 21.92 nom.
Delivery: July High 21.90, Low 21.78, Close 21.78—10
Delivery: August High 21.68 nom.
Delivery: September High 21.38 nom
Delivery: October High 21.31, Low 21.20, Close 21.19 nom—08
Delivery: November High 21.21, Low 21.14 Close 21.10
Delivery: December High 21.09, nom
Delivery: January 1946 High 21.03 nom
Delivery: February High 31.00 nom
Delivery: March High 21.02, Low 21.00, Close 20.97 bid
Delivery: April High 20.92 nom
Delivery: May High 20.87 bid
Delivery: June High 20.80 nom
Delivery July High 20.74 nom.—(U. P. of America).

MADRAS SHARE MARKET

MADRAS, March 16.

Following are today's quotations on the Madras Stock Market:—

SUGARS AND BREWERIES:—Deccan 39 Do 92 India Sugar 38 Jeypore 17/15 Mysore Sugar 61/8 South India 18/8 Travancore 14/14.

PLANTINGS:—Balmodis 1/14/6 Cochin-Malabar 16/12 Chembra Peaks 9/15 Cochin 25/8 Devon 18 Devashola 12/14 Fringfords 16/8 High Produce 32/8 Manalur 6/4 Mismaliy 38 Midlands 12/8 Nellampathi 1/6 Mellithanam 14 Peermade 50/8 Pullangodes 2/15 Thirumbadi 4/3 Vaikundam 20/8 Vellamalai 29/12 Velliam 38/4 Woodlands 12.

TEXTILES:—Bangalore Wol Co 475 Cambodia 28/14 Coimbatore Spg 151 Dhanalaxmi 340 Kaleeswarar 730 Kothari Tex 32/12 Lakshmi 151/8 Mettur 252/8 Madura 74 Pankaja 275 Palani Andavar 180 Vasanta 307/8

MISCELLANEOUS:—And Cement 109 Hind Trust 23/8 and. St. Rol). 9/12 Mysore Chem and Feri 24/8 Mysore Paper 23/12 Mysore Chem Jfrs 2..85/8 Mettur Chem 16/2 Do Defd 6/6 Spencer 13/12.—A. P.

AHMEDABAD SHARE MARKET

AHMEDABAD March 16.

Calico again presented firm front on heavy short covering and week-end squarring up commitments:—

Calico 1465; Ashok 597/8/0; Ambika 497; Jupiter 374; New Commercial 760; New National 420; Morris 155; Marsdon 194; Monogram 168; Rohit 390; Sarasvati

KASTURBA TRUST FUND TRAINEES

First Class To Commence At Borivli On April 5

Sjt. A. V. Thakkar, Secretary, Kasturba Gandhi National Memorial Trust, writes:

The first training class to be organised under the Kasturba Gandhi National Memorial Fund is to commence at Suresh Kutir, Mandapeshwar, Borivli, B.B. & C.I. Rly., on the 5th April, 1946. This class is the first stage of the General Training Scheme of the Trust. The class is to be organised for one month only and will be for the instructors sent by the provinces These instructors after receiving training will return to their provinces and start provincial classes for their own areas.

Mahatma Gandhi is likely to be in Bombay for the meetings of the Trustees of the Kasturba Gandhi National Memorial Fund to be held on the first four days of April. In case he stays on in Bombay, the organisers of the training class at Borivli hope for his advice and guidance in their work of training. Nothing is known to the Trust Office as to how long Mahatma Gandhi stays in Bombay.

GANDHIJI WILL STAY IN BIRLA HOUSE

Report About 'Summer Resort' Contradicted

BOMBAY, March 16.

The "United Press" learns that Mahatma Gandhi who is arriving in Bombay on March 31 to preside over the meeting of the Kasturba National Memorial Trust, will be staying in the Birla House, where the Trust meeting will be held.

The "United Press" has been authorised to state that there is absolutely no truth in the report that the Mahatma has made Borivli, a suburb of Bombay twenty miles off, his summer resort. "The report is thoroughly wrong. Gandhiji has made no decision whatsoever about his summer resort. He will be coming here in connection with the Trust meeting and staying in the Birla House for five days whereafter he will decide whether he should stay on in Bombay or elsewhere or whether he should return to Sevagram. I do not know why a report that Gandhiji would be staying in Borivli has been circulated." said Mr. A. V. Thakkar, General Secretary of the Kasturba Memorial Trust, who arrived in Bombay from Wardha after discussing with Gandhiji various questions connected with the forthcoming Bombay meeting of the Trust and about his summer resort, in course of his talks with the "United Press" representative this morning.

Miss Mridulaben Sarabhai, Organising Secretary of the Trust, has also returned to Bombay this morning from Wardha.—United Press.

Mahatma To Be In Bombay On April 1

WARDHA, March 15. (A. P.)—According to the present programme, Gandhiji will be leaving Wardha on March 30 and reaching Bombay on the morning of April 1.

It is understood that Gandhiji will be spending most of this summer near Bombay.

All arrangements are being made at Borivli for a one month camp of all provincial lady workers of the Kasturba Memorial Trust.

After a two days stay at Sewagram, Mr. Thakkarbappa Secretary to the Kasturba Memorial Trust Fund and Mrudulaben Sarabhai left for Bombay

KHER TO INAUGURATE

It is stated here that Mr. B. G. Kher, ex-Premier, Bombay, will inaugurate the Borivli Kasturba Lady Workers' Camp on April 5.

THREAT TO OPEN FIRE ON POLITICALS?

(From Our Correspondent)

LAHORE, March 16.

Serious conditions, it is said, are prevailing in the sub-jail of Gujrat where about a hundred security prisoners have been detained.

It is understood, Punjab Government deputed the Inspector-General of Jail, Col. N. D. Puri to investigate into the trouble.

In a short notice question given by Sadrar Kapoorsingh, Secretary to the Congress Party, it is alleged that the Gujarat jail authorities threatened to open fire upon security prisoners and that serious complaints of harassment and humiliating treatment have been reported. A joint notice of a similar question has been given by 14 Congress and League M.L.A.'s in which, it is alleged, insulting and abusive language towards the representative of a security prisoner who went to the Superintendent's Office with complaints.

Attempt will be made to know whether Government received indication.

The Premier promised a full enquiry and replies to the above questions are expected on Monday March 19.

Khan Sahib Ministry's First Act

Orders For Release Of Abdul Gaffar Khan & Eight Congressmen Issued

PESHAWAR, March 16. (A.P.I.).

Orders for the immediate release of Khan Abdul Gaffar Khan and eight others including four Congress members of the Frontier Assembly were issued by Dr. Khan Sahib immediately on assuming office of Premier to-day.

A special station wagon has been sent to Haripur to fetch Khan Abdul Gaffar Khan who is expected to arrive in Peshawar this evening.

The four M.L.A's. are: (1) Kazi Attaullah (Educational Minister), (2) Mr. Amir Mohmed, (3) Mr. Abdul Aziz and (4) Mr. Kewalram.

GANDHIJI DECLINES TO MAKE STATEMENT

WARDHA, March 16.—Gandhiji declined to make any statement this morning when questioned whether the formation of Ministry in the Frontier Province indicated any change in the proclaimed policy of the Congress towards the establishment of popular Ministries in the country.—Orient Press.

KHAN SAHIB EXPLAINS WHY HE ACCEPTED OFFICE

PESHAWAR, March 16 (U.P.I.)

"I have accepted office as the people of the Frontier wanted me to do so. I shall be in the office to alleviate the misery of the people and eliminate corruption."

Thus observed Dr. Khan Sahib, Prime Minister of the N.W.F. Provinces, in an interview to the 'United Press' today.

Dr. Khan Sahib added that 'serve people and that is your only duty' was the slogan formulated by Gandhiji for Frontier and this explained the action of the Congress Party which otherwise seemed to be a departure from the All-India policy of the Congress pursued since 1939 when the Ministeries in eight provinces tendered resignation.

Asked what changes had taken place in the country since 1939 that led to the decision of the Frontier Congress Party to accept office. Dr. Khan Sahib said: "Don't you see the changes? Are they not before your very eyes?"

"WAIT & SEE"

Referring to his immediate programme he said, "I believe in action, not words: so wait and see."

Dewan Bahanjuram Gandhi whose name has been submitted for inclusion in the Cabinet interviewed said. "The immediate problem before us is the food problem which has become acute in Frontier. We must solve it."

FROM JAIL TO GOVT. HOUSE!

The Governor accepted the resignation of the Aurangzeb Ministry and took oath of office of Dr. Khan Saheb. Dewan Bhanjuram Gandhi and Khan Abbas Khan. Portfolios have been distributed as follows: Dr. Kan Saheb—Law and Order, Police and Food; Mr. Bhanjuram Gandhi—Finance; Khan Abbas Khan—Development and Industries. Out of the two remaining portfolios, Public Works and Post-War Planning will be held by Dr. Khan Saheb and Education by Khan Abbas Khan till new Ministers are appointed.

Dr. Khan Saheb was taken round the Civil Secretariat and introduced to the members of the staff. Addressing them, he said: "I require help from all of you and you will have mine at all costs."

It may now safely be said that Kazi Attaullah Khan one of the detained M.L.A.'s will be taken in the new Cabinet. According to a Congress leader, "Kazi Attaullah will march directly from jail to the Government House."

Gaffar Khan In Peshawar To-day

PESHAWAR March 16.—Four members of the Frontier Assembly including Qazi Attaullah, ex-Minister, were released this evening

Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan in spite of the release order refused to come out of jail unless his other colleagues who are also detained as Security prisoners were released. He is however expected in Peshawar tomorrow evening after orders for the release of the other Security prisoners are passed.

Assembly Adjourns

PESHAWAR March 16—The N.W.F.P. Assembly which was adjourned to March 17 has been further adjourned to March 19 and will continue to March 29.—A.P.

NEW DELHI WELCOMES FRONTIER DECISION

(From Our Correspondent).

NEW DELHI, March 16.

Congress decision to take office in the N.W.F.P is generally welcomed here.

The decision clearly indicates change in Congress policy and is interpreted as the beginning of the end of the present deadlock. Government would not stand in the way, but would welcome resumption of Constitutional activity in other Provinces as well This has been made clear by Mr. Amery.

Critics however assert that the N.W.F.P. does not provide a correct analogy to other Provinces. In N.W.F.P. it is pointed out, Congress was not declared an unlawful body. The reply is furnished by the other side, which says that Congress parties in legislature are not unlawful organisations and that Congress Premiers who, in most Provinces are now freemen, could approach Governors with the intention to form Ministries.

In fact, there is a move for formation of such Ministry in Bombay according to reports here. With the transfer of Congress Working Committee members to Provinces, it will further facilitate their release if Congress Ministries were to resume functioning in Provinces. Such resumption, however, will have only one overriding condition, namely, country's war effort will, in no way, be impeded. In fact, Ministries will have to regard war as their own affair and will do their best to further mobilise the country to successful end.

IMPERIALISM CANNOT SAFEGUARD PEACE

NEW DELHI, March 15. (A. P. I.): Speaking on the "World To-day" Mr. Bhulabhai Desai declared at a meeting of the Delhi Rotary Club to-night that if at the end of the present war one half of the world continued to be divided into parts belonging to the other half of the world, if "liberated" Asia, Africa, Java, Sumatra were to go back to their old masters, then notwithstanding the immense loss of life and destruction of wealth, the world would be no better than it was in 1939.

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RENEWAL OF RATION CARDS IN CITY AND SUBURBS.

(WEEK—MARCH 18 TO MARCH 24)

The work of renewing the current ration cards in Bombay City and the Bombay Suburban District by pasting slips over the reverse side will be done during the week March 18 to March 24 at the shops mentioned below:—

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The hours for renewal and also for issue of rations at ration shops concerned during the week will be 8-30 a.m. to 11-30 a.m. and 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. and at the Government Grain Shops 8-30 a.m. to 12 noon and 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. (The hours will be 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. in the case of shops situated at remote places in the rural areas).

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C WARD—RATION SHOPS—Nos. 98, 99, 100, 123, 139, 145, 148, 432. 436, 491, 500, 530 and 538. GOVERNMENT GRAIN SHOPS—Nos. 52, 57, 163, 169 and 189. COMMUNAL STORE—No. 39.

D WARD—RATION SHOPS—Nos. 87, 88, 91, 92, 135, 136, 137, 149, 473 and 475. GOVERNMENT GRAIN SHOPS—Nos. 25, 34, 61 and 220. COMMUNAL STORES—Nos. 36 and 45.

E (EAST)—RATION SHOPS—Nos. 191, 192, 194, 195, 203 and 230. GOVERNMENT GRAIN SHOPS—Nos. 23 and 33.

E (WEST)—RATION SHOPS—Nos. 106, 108, 109, 151, 169, 222, 223, 393, 394 and 470. GOVERNMENT GRAIN SHOPS—Nos. 29, 59, 105 and 221.

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G (NORTH)—RATION SHOPS—Nos. 328, 333, 339, 342, 362, 363. GOVERNMENT GRAIN SHOPS—Nos. 48, 78 and 126. COMMUNAL STORES—Nos. 11, 62 and 63.

G (SOUTH)—RATION SHOPS—Nos. 171, 172, 173, 341, 526 and 561. COMMUNAL STORE—No. 20.

BANDRA—RATION SHOPS—Nos. 34, 39, 41, 46 (1) and 46 (2). GOVERNMENT GRAIN SHOPS—Nos. 97 and 214. CO-OPERATIVE STORES—Nos. 4 and 5.

PARLE-ANDHERI—RATION SHOPS—Nos. AM/1 and AM/2. GOVERNMENT GRAIN SHOP—No. 201.

BORIVLI—RATION SHOP—No. BOR/16. GOVERNMENT GRAIN SHOP No. 224.

MALAD—RATION SHOP—No. MD/9. GOVERNMENT GRAIN SHOP—No. 229.

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Farce Of Indo-British Financial Settlement

Manu Subedar Calls It Jekyll And Hyde Juggling With India's Money

Following are excerpts from the speech of Mr. Manu Subedar on the Budget debate in the Indian Legislative Assembly on March 5:

I shall respond to the invitation made by the Honourable Finance Member in his closing remarks to economists and historians to evaluate his financial stewardship. My contribution to the history of his stewardship is that Sir Jeremy Raisman will go down in our annals under the name of Printing Press Raisman who cared for the war, the whole War, and nothing but the war! I regard him, inspite of his protestations as the true representative of John Bull and Company in this country. It may be that Churchill is not liquidating the Empire but I find that Sir Jeremy Raisman is very effectively liquidating the economic life of this country.

EVEN TAME MEN WON'T DO IT

Sir, this Government have got good many tame Indians on the Reserve Bank Board who will tolerate things which they should not tolerate. They have got good many tame Indians on the Treasury Benches who are putting up with matters which they should not put up with in the interests of India. May I ask why it was found impossible to elevate at least one of these tame Indians to the Finance Membership in this country. The reason is obvious: even such tame men will not accept and carry out settlements which come down from England, and therefore they cannot be appointed.

He has imposed Rs. 400 crores as against Rs. 36 crores, our normal military charges. He has exceeded by ten times the figure of normal expenditure, he has exceeded even his own budget figure by Rs. 118 crores, and he justifies it on the ground that there has been a settlement.

JEKYLL AND HYDE

Now it has been suggested that this is India's liability, this is what you have agreed to, there has been a financial settlement. May I ask who made this settlement in 1940? May I ask who made the settlement before that, and before that? Who is making these settlements? Sir, it is the Government of England, which is making these settlements with itself. I do not see two Governments. I will appeal to my Honourable friend, the Law Member, who is not here, and other eminent lawyers to tell me whether a settlement is not between two persons. How can there be an agreement between one person and himself? I see in this Government Jekyll and Hyde, it may be that we have got the milder face of the same personality in this country, it may be that that face is disguised by the presence of Indians on the Treasury Benches. How is this agreement made? We have got an illustration here with regard to these fifteen million capital being paid away on non-effective charges. There were negotiations, I am told, these negotiations advanced, after that an arrangement is concluded, a decision is taken, and then we are presented with a financial settlement, which we are not expected not to break, which we should conform, which we should not question, the sanctity of which is not open to doubt, and of course we must never doubt the motives of the honourable Finance Member, because he is only carrying out the settlement. This camouflage, this sham, we must tear up. It is not a question of the fifteen minutes which I may get for fifteen years. This is a question of mortgaging the economic life of the country for the next generation. My friends there are laughing, it was not in their conscience to put an Indian, even a tame Indian, in charge of Finance.

There is a new law in Egypt, which prohibits multiple marriages for Egyptian Pashas. But for the English Pashas on the Treasury Benches, multiple marriage is not prohibited, since they have eleven Indians now, instead of one, as at the time of Lord Sinha, and they go on multiplying and along with it they are multiplying the miseries and the future deterioration of life of this country. Let the Honourable Members on the Treasury Benches realise this.

FARCE OF NEGOTIATIONS

When I say there is only one Government, you may tell me that there are the Governments of India and England, and it is between these two Governments that Negotiations take place. Sir, we had the spectacle of Sir James Grigg, a civil servant from England coming here and taking charge of Finance, and then going back and becoming Secretary for War. When he came here he negotiated with his successor in U. K., and when he goes back from here, he negotiates with his successor and his erstwhile Secretary, Sir Jeremy Raisman, and these are solemnised in the form of negotiations! these are solemnised in the form of agreements. What happened after these agreements? We have been asking for a ceiling in order that charges borne by this country should be in keeping with the capacity, with the economic considerations, with the availability and, with the visible misery even, of millions of people who are dying, who are in dire want, who are in disess of every description—even that has not led to any moderation on the part of the British authorities who masquerade here in the person of the Finance Member, who professes all the while that he is doing everything in the interests of India!

WHAT ABOUT LEND-LEASE?

The ceiling demand was a reasonable one; it is based on the principles which the United Kingdom itself is enjoying in connection with lease-lend administrations; what are those principles of lease-lend? That every Ally must bear in accordance with his immediate position. At least some regard is given to the capacity. But may I ask if any regard of any kind is given to the capacity of India to bear these expenses which are thrown upon us? Who has made those settlements which were replaced in 1940? Have not the Government of India themselves departed, in fact, if not in form, from their own settlement, and is not the initiative always with England? They can do what they like—we must not question the settlement. Have they not called joint measures? In other words, measures of which there is the slightest doubt as to whether they fall on England, they say under the joint measures, let India bear half.

MUTT AND JEFF

There is a duty on members of this House, particularly on the Indian Members of the Treasury Benches, on every Indian in the country, to resist and fight this severe imposition. I am reminded of the story of Mutt and Jeff. These two men were waiting in a motor car and a man comes along to sell them a tyre at a very cheap price. The tyre is purchased by these two, who are pleased with the small price. They then try to put it away together in the place where their old spare tyre was, and then they find that the spare tyre has gone! The man had taken their own tyre and sold it to them. This is the position of the Finance Member, which I can demonstrate, if I had more time.

I have spent the best years of my life in England. I understand Englishmen—and Englishwoman perhaps better than they do. The two expressions, which I learnt to use in England to describe something which is heinous and which is very low are "to steal candy from a child" and "to cheat at cards in a club." The kind of imposition of military charges, which Government have sought to make and put on this country under the pretext of settlements, which are made between their own right hand and their own left hand, which are made behind our back, of which no opportunities are given to this House to know, of which no details are given—the military expenditure appears once a year in a few limited paragraphs of remarkable obscurity and the bulk of which is non-voted—we do not know the details on which it is spent—this imposition, I say, merits the two expressions which I have learnt in England to describe something which is never done, something which is not decent, something of which people ought to be ashamed to impose on a helpless people, who are momentarily in their charge. This annual mummery, this pretence of the Finance Member getting up and showing us something, which he is doing for India's benefit, in India's interests, ought to stop. This partnership is nothing more than the partnership between the admiral and the stoker who is sweating in the engine room below. This partnership is really something extraordinary and must now be completely dropped.

He spoke of India's indirect interest being greater than India's direct interests. It is these indirect interest of the sterling bloc—sterling which has been taken away from us without our leave and on the question of the return of which the position is tomorrow—perhaps, never! These measures, which have been taken, the manner in which they have been executed, indicates they are savouring of Nazi methods employed in the occupied countries.

We are told that we have still further to be prepared; the Allies are appreciating us; we must be prepared to be bled further in the interests of these appreciative Allies. I say that this system of financial jugglery ought to be abolished.

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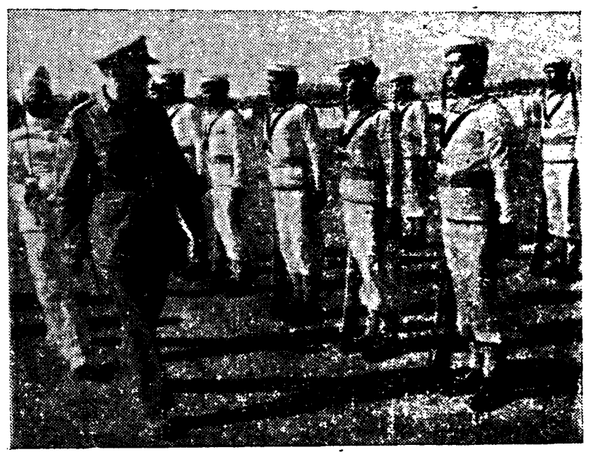
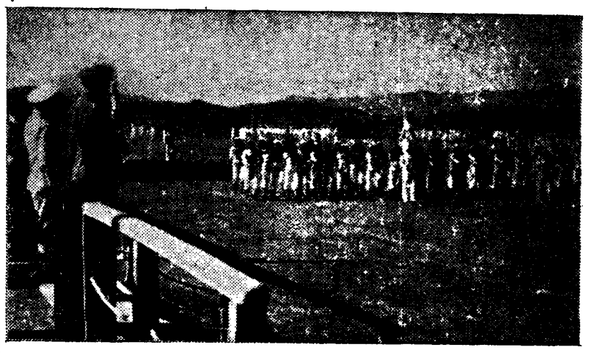


H. E. General Sir Claude Auchinleck, Commander-in-Chief in India, visited Army and Navy establishments in the Bombay area recently. C.-in-C. inspects trainees at the RIN training establishment 'Akbar' at Bombay.



C.-in-C. at the saluting base after inspection of the RIN training establishment 'Akbar' at Bombay.

Internal Trouble In German Army Expected Soon

Civilian Morale At Its Lowest Due To Inexorable Russian Advance

LONDON, March 14: Informed circles here point to the numerous recent changes in the Command of the German Wehrmacht as suggesting that the gradual breakdown of civil administration of the Reich may be followed at an early date by news of internal trouble in the German Army itself, says Reuter's Political Correspondent.

The High Command changes bear interpretation that the rulers of Germany are now finding it difficult to reconcile many of the Generals to their policy of despair and that even those military leaders still willing to impose Fuehrer's decrees unquestionably are no longer able to sustain the morale of their own troops.

The recent heavy losses in the west coupled with the inexorable advance of the Russians now on the Oder have combined to depress civilian morale to its lowest point.

DR. FREISHER KILLED IN ALLIED RAID ON BERLIN?

The German radio announced tonight that Hitler has appointed Doctor Harry Haffner, President of the People's Court. Haffner was prosecutor of Kattowitz when it was German occupied.

The announcement does not mention the fate of Doctor Ruddif Freisher up to now President of the People's Court and known for his sentences against the Generals and Nazi Officials who took part in the attempt against Hitler's life on 20th 1944. It was rumoured that Doctor Freisher was killed in a raid recently.

DETENU SLIGHTLY INJURED

Sequel To Disturbance In Alipur Jail

CALCUTTA, March 15.—The Chief Minister, Sir Nazimuddin, informed the Bengal Legislative Assembly today that the security prisoner, Mr. Tarapada Gupta, received a slight injury as a result of a general disturbance which occurred in the Alipore Central jail on March 6 last.

He added that there was no deliberate assault on any security prisoner and there would have been no necessity to use any force if the security prisoners had complied with the request of the Jail staff to return to their cells and yards as they were required to do so on the sounding of the alarm.

Explaining the incident he said that two prisoners, later identified as two European security prisoners, in an attempt to escape jumped into the segregation yard attached to the position where the political security prisoners were confined. "In accordance with the procedure in sounding the alarm all prisoners were requested to return to their respective places immediately. But a number of them had refused and the jail staff present had to use force.—A. P.

Sale Of National Saving Certificates In Orissa

CUTTACK, March 14.

Mr. Biswanath Das, ex-Premier of Orissa at a Press conference to-day called upon the Government of Orissa to issue a clear communique giving definite instructions to their subordinates and agents that the purchase of National Savings Certificate should be voluntary.

He said he had received a letter from an M.L.A., which showed "how the zeal of Local officers and their agents had deprived certain areas of their daily necessities", which were not supplied unless national savings certificates were purchased.—A. P.

DR. S. P. MOOKERJEE

CALCUTTA, March 15.

From enquiries at the residence of Dr. Shyamaprosar Mookerjee, the Mahasabha President, it is learnt that his condition remains unchanged and that temperature is persisting. There is, however, no cause for anxiety.—A. P.

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WILL THERE BE PEACE IN EUROPE?

Not Until There is "Radical Change In Constitution", Says Sir W. Layton

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, March 15.

At least one peer, Lord Strabolgi, heartily supports abolition of the House of Lords. He said so publicly while replying to a question in the Commons 'Would Britain's membership of the United States of Europe mean giving up of our King, House of Lords and Commons. Lord Strabolgi said: "I hope it would mean losing the House of Lords. If I was certain of that I would back it hundred per cent. Prof. C. E. M. Joad and Mr. Beverley Baxter argued if Britain intended to foster working of the Federal Union of Europe she must participate therein.

Sir Walter Layton said he saw no early prospect of a full Federal Union of Europe. He believed this goal would have to be approached by stages.

To the question how can there ever be peace in Europe, Sir W. Layton replied: "You have very little hope of peace until there is a radical change in the Constitution of Europe—in the direction of a United States of Europe, though not necessarily in the same sense as the United States of America. There is reason to think this radical change will come after two wars. One generation of peoples in Europe does intend to make this last war.

TOWARDS ARAB UNION

CAIRO, March 15.

The next step towards Arab Union is being taken on Saturday afternoon, when the preparatory committee of the Arab League holds its first meeting.

It is expected that the constitution of the new Arab League will consist of 22 articles and two protocols of which one deals with Palestine.

The constitution is understood to provide for the adhesion of other Arab states as they gain independence and the framers appear to have had an eye on North Africa, namely Tunis Morocco and Tripolitania.—Reuter.

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Share Bazar Irregularly Quiet

DIMINISHING DEMAND IN BULLION

Cotton Very Dull With Little Business

BOMBAY, March 16.

The Bombay Stock Exchange is now looking for an early peace and except short covering there was no support and quotations kept on a downward trend. Trading was restricted and traders were cautious. As a result of day's business Tata Steel Dfds. declined Rs. 13/-, Ordinary Rs. 2/8, Bombay Dyeings Rs. 6/-, Kohinoors Rs. 3/-, while Century shares gained Rs. 2/8. Price movement was narrow and there was more inclination to await developments.

Bullion market was very quiet with diminishing demand while Cotton was dull and featureless.

Share Bazar

To-day being the last day of the week there was restricted business on the local Stock Exchange and under scattered selling quotations were lower. In view of the week-end uncertainties and excellent war news neither buyers nor sellers were inclined to operate and it was a very dull session. As pointed out before the market is now working on peace possibilities and opinions have no value. The buyers rely that it will take some time to defeat Japan after the end of the war in Europe, while sellers believe that the effect of peace in Europe is bound to tell on the price structure with possibilities of increased imports of consumers' goods. Tata Steel Dfds. opened at Rs. 2075 and declined to Rs. 2070. Ordinary Shares were quoted at Rs. 383 Bombay Dyeing were placed at Rs. 1855 and Kohinoors stood at Rs. 617/8.

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Ah'bad Advance 425 Apollo 4/4 Bharat Spg 61 Bombay Dyeing 1855 Cent India 377 Century 922/8 Dawn 1180 Colaba 221 Edward 755 Elphinstone 85 Finlay 305 Gokak 303 Hindustan 3624/8 Ind. Bleaching 176 India United Ord 14/7-1/2 India Dfd 3-1-1/4 Indiandore 7064 Khatau 340/10 Kohinoor 618 Laksmi 1307/8 Madhovji 17 Mineera 255 Model Nagpur 260 Madhusudan 423/12 Meyer 213/12 Morarji 697/8 Mysore 305 New Great 393 Phoenix 582/8 Podar 330 Sassoon Silk 88 Sassoon Spg 22 Shrinivas 356 Sholapur 7635 Simplex 264 Swadeshi 540 Swan 331 Tata Mills 67/4 Vishnu 476/4 Western India 3580

INSURANCE

Bombay Life 875 Empire Life 1475 Vulcan 16/10 Oriental 6600 New India 80 Ind Prudent 51 Indian Mercantile 70 Jupiter 33

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Ah'bad Electric 233/12 Andhra Valley 1767/8 Ajmere 15/2 Bombay Tram Bom Suburban 212 Broach 12/12 Poona 300 Karachi 227 Surat Old 223/12 Surat New 90 Tata Power Ord 1875 Tata Hydro 203

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PREF: SHARES

7 p c Andh Valley 1680 6 p c Bom Steamer 350 7 p c Bom Tram 66 7 p c Bradbury 542/8 5 p c Cent India 737/8 8 p c Elphinstone 122/8 6-1/2 p c Jupiter 18/14 6 p c Tata 1st 224/4 7-1/2 p c Tata 2nd 160/4 6-1/2 p c Tata Hydro 166/4 7-1/2 p c Tata Power 1782 p c Vishnu 802

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4 p c Andh Valley 107/13 4 p c Tata Power 107/10 4 p c Tata Chem 127/8 6 p c Marsland Pr 121

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GOLD & SILVER

The local bullion market was erratic awaiting further developments.

After yesterday's heavy liquidation the market entirely depends upon the attitude of professional operators who generally monopolise activity.

The Reserve Bank of India sold to-day 300 bars silver at Rs. 125/6 and 35,000 tolas gold at Rs. 68/6.

The market opened at Rs. 68/2 for forward gold and advanced to Rs. 68/12 under active covering and later steadied at Rs. 68/11. Ready gold were quoted at Rs. 68/15.

Forward silver opened at Rs. 125/4 and declined to Rs. 124/10 on increased selling but quickly advanced to Rs. 125/11 on heavy covering and steadied at Rs. 125/2. Ready silver was quoted at Rs. 125/8.

The market was very quiet with diminishing demand and closed as under.

Silver Ready	125	1	0
Silver Settlement	124	12	0
Gold Ready	69	0	0
Silver Settlement	68	12	0

Bombay Cotton

The local Cotton Market opened today at Rs. 451/8 for May delivery and fluctuated between Rs. 450/8 and Rs. 452/8. It is reported that there is great scarcity of long staple cotton in up-country markets and while Bulls were sellers at yesterday's rise the market is stabilised iround present level with a good undertone. Total tenders against now stand over 97,000 bales which professional bulls have absorbed

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RECORD OF ACTUAL TRANSACTIONS IN SHARES

BOMBAY, March 16.

MILLS

Apollo 4/4
Bharat 61/4
Bharucha 8/12
Dyeing 1852/8 57/8 50 57/8 55
Central India (Ord) 377
Central India Pref 731/4
Century 920
Colaba 221/8
Edward 752/8
Elphinstone (Ord) 85
Elphinstone (Pref) 122/8
Finlay 305
Gokak 303
India United Defd 3/1/3
India United Ord 14/7/6
Indore 705 11/4 2/8 6/4
Kohinoor 620 21 16
Madhusudan 423/12
Meyer 213/12
Morarjee 697/8
New Great 393
Podar 330
Simplex 264
Swadeshi 540
Swan 331
Tata Mills 57/8 57/4
Vishnu 476/4
Central Provinces Rly. 107/8

BANKS

Baroda 141/12
Central 81/12 82/4
Habib 81
Imperial (Ord) 1995
India 190/12
Reserve 134/8 34/4
Internation 56
National Savings (P.-F.) 87/4
Union 9/4

ELECTRIC

Ahmedabad 232/8 31/14
Andhra Valley 1767/8
Tram (Ord) 147
Tram (Pref) 65/8 66
Surat 223/12
Power 1880. 75 80 75

INSURANCE

Empire 1475
Indian Mercantile 70/4 70
Jupiter 33/4 33/8
New India 80
Vulcan 16/10
Scindia 34/2
Jam Wire 142
Tata Steel Defd 2080 70 81/4 72/8 80
Tata Steel Ord 383 82/8 84 83/8 84
Tata Steel 2nd Pref 160/4

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcock 432/8
A. Cement 231/8
Belapur 218/8
Burmah (Old) 227/8
B. B Petrol 5/2/8 5/1/3 5/1/6
Devkaran Nanji Invest. 26
I. Bleaching 176
I. I Trust 121
P. Consiruction 215/8
P Construction (1st Pref) 140/8
Shivrajpur 53
Tata Chemical 20/4
Tata Oil 67/8
Western India 326/4
Dawn 1180
New Union 23 22/12

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and we firmly believe that the long range outlook is bullish and mills will do well to secure their requirements.

The market was quietly steady with a restricted turnover and closed at 6 p m as under.

I C C March	445	4	0
I C C May	452	0	0
I C C July	466	4	0
I C C September	475	4	0

COTTON PARITY

Indian Cotton May Contract is 465 cent points below New York May at Exchange rate 331.

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES.

	Hi	Lo.	Closing at 6 p.m.
I.C.C. March	447-1/2	443	445
I.C.C. May	454-1/2	449	462
I.C.C July	467	460-1/2	464
I.C.C. Sept.	476-1/2	472	473-1/4
Karachi 4F May	47/1/0	46/12/0	46/12/6

COTTON TENDERS.

	To-day Bales.	Total Bales.
March	18,850	97,700

BOMBAY PRODUCE.

The produce market was dull with a restricted enquiry and quotations do not show any important change:—

GROUNDNUTS.

Bombay Khandesh quality	14	10	0
Bombay Nizam quality	13	14	0
Bombay Bold	13	15	0
Goa March-April	14	2	0
Goa April-May	14	3	0

CASTORSEEDS.

Bombay Ready	15	0	0
Goa Delivery	14	15	0

LINSEED.

C. P. and U. P.	15	9	0
G. I. P. Rly.	15	8	0
N. S. Rly.	15	7	0
Satna Small	15	4	0
Navlakhi Dely.	15	14	0

CALICUT QUOTATIONS

CALICUT March 16.

Cocoanuts Raw 85 Dry 78 Cocoanutoil 335 Copra Office 197/8 Dlipasand 206/4 Madrasnottam 217/8 Goodgooda 230 Pepper Wynaad 350 Country 345 Dry ginger Chernad 225 Ernad 215.

Increased Selling On N. Y. Cotton Exchange

NEW YORK, March 15.

Prices sagged attributable to a combination of factors, such as smaller than expected consumption, excellent war news and the threatened strikes. The market steadied on covering in March and the stoppage of 27 notices and closed barely steady. July opened at 21.90 and closed at the lowest at 21.78. The net closing loss was 2 to 9 points. Spot cotton price was reduced 9 points at 22.42 c per lb.

NEW YORK COTTN.

March	22.14—02
May	22.06—09
July	21.78—10
Middling Spot	22.42—09

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

March	22.17+07
May	22.06—05
July	21.30—05
Middling Spot	21.54—06

U. S. MILLS COTTON CONSUMPTION.

Consumption of lint cotton by U. S. A. Mills amounted to 782,000 Bales during February.

NEW YORK CLOTH MARKET.

NEW YORK, March 15: Worth Street cotton goods trade centred its attention on the new Treasury Department's procurements for foreign relief, including an estimated million yards of sheeting construction suitable for work shirts.

The Army was enquiring for very large quantities of 50 per cent wool shirts and drawers for the last half delivery.

Mills were inclined to restrict offerings due to the price ceilings uncertainty, unsettled wage issues and other factors.—(U. P. of America).

LONDON EXCHANGES.

London March 15.

T. T. London on:—

New York sellers 4.02-1/2, buyers 4.03-1/2, Madrid Official 44.00 Montreal sellers 4.43 buyers 4.47, Zurich sellers 17.3 bhyers 17.4, Stockholm sellers 16.85 buyers 16.95

LONDON WHEAT.

London March 15.

Wheat Rosario Santa Fe (New Crop) 42 April quoted.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

London March 15.

Rupee Paper 3-1/2 p c £72-1/2, Consols 2,1/2 p c £83-1/16, Conversion Loan 3-1/2 p c 1961 £105-3/4, War Loan 3-1/2 p c £105 Funding Loan 4 p c 1960/90 £115-1/2, Victory Bonds 4 p c £113-7/8, Chartered Bank of I. A. & China £10-3/4, Hongkong & Shanghai Bank (London Reg.) £86, National Bank of India £42-1/2.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

BOMBAY, March 16.

3-1/2 p c G. P. Notes	99	10	0
3 p c 1963-65	99	0	0
3 p c 1966-68	98	6	0
4 p c 1960-70	112	14	0
4-1/2 p c 1955-60	117	0	0
3-1/2 p c 1947-50	103	6	0
2-1/4 p c 1948-52	99	11	0
3 p c 1946 Def.	102	6	0
3 p c 1949-52 1st	101	6	0
3 p c 1951-54 2nd	101	0	0
3 p c 1953-55 3rd	100	6	0
3 p c 1957 Vict.	99	14	0

CORPORATION DEBENT.

4 p c B. P. T. 1974	113	12	0
4 p c M. Deb. 1974	113	12	0
5 p c M. Deb. 1959	121	0	0
6 p c M. Deb. 1954	130	0	0
6 p c M. P. T. 1956	130	0	0

TAX-FREE LOANS.

4 p c 1953-63 Mysore	122	0	0
5 p c Mysore	135	0	0

MONEY MARKET.

BOMBAY, March 16.

LONDON: Banks buying 90 days/st. 1/6 7/32 1 and 2 months, 1/6 1/4 3 to 6 months.

B. C. RATES: T T 1/6 15/16 D D 1/5 15/16.

Banks selling T T 1/5 31/32 D D 1/5 31/32.

Banks buying T T 1/6 1/32 D D 1/6 3/32.

LDN/NEW YORK:

Banks selling T T Rs. 332 3/4 D D Rs. 332 3/4.

Banks buying T T Rs. 329 1/2 D D Rs. 327 1/2.

LDN/MONTREAL:

Banks selling T T Rs. 302 1/2 D D Rs. 302 1/2.

Banks buying T T Rs. 297 3/4 D D Rs. 295 3/4.

Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Very quiet.

Reserve Bank Rate 3 p c. Bank of England Rate 2 p c.

Money:—Call, one and two months 1/4 p.c. 3 to 5 months 1/2 p c, 6 to 1. months 3/4 p c 12 months 1 1/4 p c.

Tone:—Easy.

BANK OF ENGLAND RETURN

LONDON, March 15.

	£
Total bullion	1,764,000
Public deposits	12,500,000
(a) Other deposits	246,800,000
Government securities	222,700,000
(b) Other securities	14,800,000
Notes, gold and silver	30,000,000
Notes, ogir and silver coin	30,000,000
Ratio of reserve to Liabilities	11.57 p c
(a) Other deposits include bankers deposit	190,800,000
(b) Other securities include discounts and advances	9,700,000
Total deposits	259,300,000
Total securities	237,500,000

HAPUR QUOTATIONS

HAPUR, March 16.

Wheat 10 Dara Control 9/12 Stock 255 Khattis Gram 8 Stock 9 Barley 6/4 Stock 121 Peas Khattis 5/12 Stock 24 Arhar 7 Stock 120 Maize 6/4 Bajra 7/8 Juar 7/4 Urd 14 Mong 11 Cottonseed Desi 10 Chilki 9/2 Mustardseed 1 Cake 3/2 Retail 3/6 Gur 9/2 Arrivals 2,500 Mds Silver 124/10 Gold 68/14 Bardana 55/13 Guwar 6/14/6.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET
Drop In Wheat Quotations

CHICAGO, March 15: Grain prices were sharply lower due to profit taking late in the session on the Chicago Commodity Exchange to-day.

Wheat lost the limit of five cents at one point during the session.

Offerings were light.

Some traders attributed losses to technical considerations after the sustained advance.

They were also waiting to see the extent of flour purchases by the Army.—U. P. of America.

IMPERIAL BANK OF INDIA

Statement of the Affairs of the Imperial Bank of India on the 9th March 1945.

LIABILITIES

CAPITAL Rs. 5,62,50,000 Reserve Fund Rs. 6,00,00,000; Fixed Deposit Savings Bank, Current and other Accounts Rs. 231,57,62,000; Sundries Rs. 88,48,000. Rupees 244,08,60,000.

ASSETS

INVESTMENTS:—

Government Securities Rs. 1.25,16,76,000 Other Authorised Investments Rs. 405,-29,000;.

ADVANCES:—

Loan Rs. 22,16,84,000; Cash Credits and Overdrafts Rs. 42,61,85,000; Bills Discounted and Purchased Rs. 5,27,16,-000; Dead Stock Rs. 1,66,56,000 Sundries Rs 1,04,45,000.

CASH:—

In hand and with the Reserve Bank of India Rs. 41,66,26,000; Balances with other Banks Rs. 43,41,000.

Rupees 244,08,60,000.

START OF LANCASHIRE FRONT

LONDON, March 15: Sir Raymond Streat, Chairman of the Cotton Board, to-day charged some firms with holding up the industry and withholding co-operation in de-concentration.

Writing in the Cotton Board's trade letter, Sir Raymond said, in view of the end of the war approaching, it is a logical necessity that a Lancashire front is started with spinning.

In an effort to ease the shortage of cotton goods, the Cotton Controller decided to reopen about six or seven closed mills and made an appeal for former cotton workers, at present not engaged, to help increase production.—U. P. of America.

WALL STREET MARKET

NEW YORK, March 15: Stock prices improved on the basis of Winston Churchill's prediction that the war would end this summer or sooner also on his promise of Britain co-operating in the war against Japan after Germany's final defeat.

Traders remained cautious although some special issues soared, the gainers including railroads.

International Telephone and Telegraphs gained on the announcement that Spanish Telephones are paying fifteen million dollars on its debt.

Groups which firmed included airlines, steels and chemicals.—U. P of America.

AMERICAN ATTITUDE AT I. COTTON CONFERENCE

NEW YORK, March 15.

The Journal of Commerce to-day predicted that United States representatives at the meeting of cotton producing nations in Washington on March 26 will favour an international commodity agreement governing cotton. The Journal said the United States will show an exportable cotton surplus of 10,000,000 bales compared with a estimated demand of from three to four million bales. It also predicted the United States would suggest production quotas, price agreements and a limitation of subsidies with percentage quotas similar to the wheat agreements. The percentages would be based on average exports over several years, the Journal said.—U. P. of America.

BHUJ, March 16.

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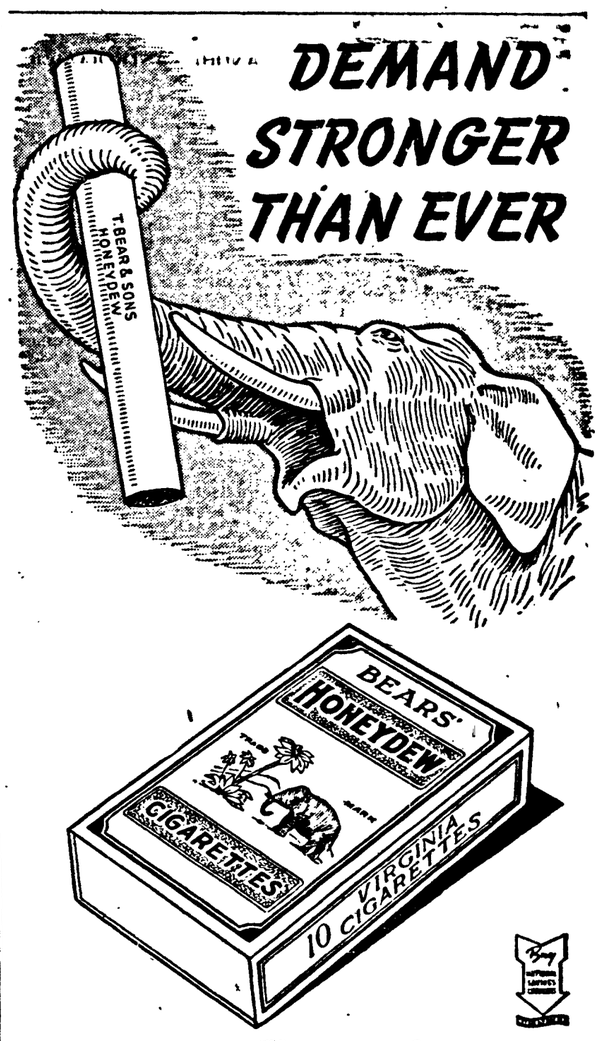

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BUSINESS OFFER

Indian Producers, Exporters & Importers desiring to establish trade connections explore markets arrange agencies, settle disputes etc. in S. America, U.S.A. Canada & U. K. are requested to contact experienced businessman proceeding overseas about the middle of April. Please apply with full particulars to Box No. 7593. "Bombay Chronicle".

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One Steam engine cross compound, jet condensing corliss Valve manufactured by Hick-Hargreaves of Bolton, Lancs.-England. I.H.P. 1,000. Dia of cylinders 24" and 47" by 4' stroke, R.P.M. 75. Working pressure or Boiler pressure 160 lbs. per sq. inch. Fly wheel dia 20'-0" with 25 grooves to take 1 3/4" dia ropes with automatic barring engine and overhead crane 10 ton capacity. For particulars Apply Box No. 2517. "Bombay Chronicle".

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We buy and sell Government Securities and shares of all descriptions. All facilities offered to clients. Market report and suggestions supplied free. Analysis of investment holdings and suggestions for revision also given. Apply to:—City Investment Corporation Ltd. 7 Swallow Lane Calcutta. 7569C

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Ceiling Fan—Guaranteed quality A. C. Ceiling Fans 36" and 48" sweep. Prices and details from:—Exel Trading Corporation, Kasturchand Mills Estate, Dadar, Bombay. Tel: 60885. 2215

PUBLIC NOTICES

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Trainer,
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THE GENERAL MANAGER, G.I.P. Railway, Bombay will receive tenders from auctioneers of good standing for conducting public auction sales periodically at Wadi Bandar and Victoria Terminus on behalf of the G.I.P. Railway, of the unclaimed goods and lost property for a period of three years. For tender form apply to the Chief Traffic Manager, G.I.P. Railway Victoria Terminus, Bombay. Price per form Rs. 3/-. Closing date 27th March, 1945, at 3 p.m. (S.T.). 2503

M. & S. M. RY.

STAFF SELECTION BOARD.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the posts of Office Clerks on Rs. 35-2-45 per mensem plus a Dearness Allowance which at present is Rs. 14|-, Rs. 11|- or Rs. 9|- per mensem according to the zone in which the selected candidates are appointed to work. Preference will be given to men with knowledge of shorthand and typewriting.

2. MINIMUM QUALIFICATION: Passed S.S.L.C., or its equivalent.

3. AGE: Candidates born between 1st March 1920 and 1st March 1927 only are eligible.

4. PROCEDURE: Write by POST to the Secretary, Staff Selection Board, M. & S. M. Ry., Park Town, Madras, for an application form enclosing a stamped addressed envelope and a Crossed Indian Postal Order for One Rupee payable to the Paymaster and Cashier, M. & S. M. Ry., Madras. No request for an application form will be entertained unless the above instructions are observed. Money Orders or Cash will not be accepted. The application form must be completed and forwarded by POST to reach the address below not later than 7th April 1945, quoting as reference Advertisement No. 1.

5. Applications from sons of employees or ex-employees of the M. & S. M. Railway must be accompanied by a copy of certificate of service from an officer of the Department in which the applicant's father is or was working.

6. GENERAL: Selected candidates must be prepared to work anywhere on the M. & S. M. Railway. Applications must be accompanied by copies of certificates regarding Education, Character and Sporting activities. Originals must not be sent. Candidates who are called for interview must produce original certificates.

SECRETARY,
Staff Selection Board,
M. & S. M. Ry., P.T., Madras.
Advertisement No. 1.
(2519)

BOMBAY PORT TRUST RAILWAY.

WANTED an OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT. Pay Rs. 300—15—375 per mensem with House and War Allowances according to rules in force. Six months' probation. Preferably under 35 years of age with experience in Railway Commercial work.

Application forms for the above appointment should be obtained from this office on payment of Re. 1/- per form and must be submitted not later than 2nd April 1945. Covers should be marked "O/S".

Any attempt to bring personal influence to bear upon the members of the Board of Trustees will disqualify the candidate concerned.

H. A. GAYDON,
Manager,
Bombay Port Trust Railway.
Nicol Road, Ballard Estate.
Bombay, 15th March, 1945. 2508

PUBLIC NOTICES

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY.
Office Of The Controller of Supplies,
(Disposals Branch)
Strand House, Graham Road, Ballard Estate, BOMBAY.

AUCTION NOTICE

LARGE QUANTITIES of Salvaged Stores such as M.T. Parts, Cotton Rags, Tentage, Gunny Old, Leather Scrap, Food Tins, Tinplate Scrap, Mosquito Nets, Ankle Boots, Containers, etc., will be sold by Public Auctions at the following places at the time and on the dates noted against each:—

S. No.	Location	Date & Time	Auctioneer.
1.	Salvage Sub-Depot, Nasik Road.	Monday 19-3-1945 1 p.m.	Messrs. F. Esoofally & Co., 3|4 Sadar Bazar, Deolali.
2.	M. T. Breakdown Depot, Nasik Road.	Tuesday 20-3-1945 10 a.m.	—do—.
3.	Army Salvage Depot, Ghorpuri (Near Poona)	Thursday 22-3-1945 11 a.m.	Messrs. Nusserwanji Sorabji & Co., 94 Main Street, Poona.
4.	M. T. Breakdown Depot, Dehu Road.	Friday 23-3-1945 11 a.m.	Messrs. Gandhi & Co., 72 Medows Street, Fort, Bombay.
5.	M. T. Breakdown Depot, Trimulgherry, Secunderabad (Deccan)	Monday 26-3-1945 11 a.m.	Messrs. Vazir Sultan & Sons, 141 Oxford Street, Secunderabad (Deccan).
6.	Salvage Sub-Depot, Trimulgherry, Secunderabad (Deccan)	Tuesday 27-3-1945 11 a.m.	—do—
7	Supply Depot, Ahmedabad.	Thursday 29-3-1945 11 a.m.	Messrs. Gandhi & Co., 72, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay.

2. The Stores to be offered for sale at the above auctions can be viewed at site by previous arrangement with the Officer-in-Charge of the Depots concerned.

3. Further details can be had from the auctioneers. (2491)

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR ADVANCED STUDIES OVERSEAS

IN ORDER TO INCREASE the supply of trained personnel for post-war development, the Government of India, in addition to the arrangements which they have made with Provincial Governments with the same object in view, have decided to send overseas this year a number of students, who will receive adequate stipends, for further education and training in various branches of Technology, Applied Science and Agricultural subjects.

In addition to the provision made for these stipendiary students, the Government of India are also making arrangements for assisting in the placing in foreign institutions and for promoting the general welfare of those students who desire to proceed overseas for advanced studies at their own expense.

Government servants are eligible for stipends, and they may also apply for permission to proceed overseas for studies at their own expense.

A booklet, "Information for Students desiring to proceed Overseas for Advanced Studies (1945)," containing all necessary information and a form of application for a stipend is obtainable on payment of Annas Three (cash or in stamps) from the Manager of Publications, Civil Lines, Delhi.

The last date for receipt of applications is April 15th, 1945. 2463

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BOMBAY.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have decided to issue the forfeited shares to the existing shareholders in the first instance in proportion of one share to one share held by him, at a premium of Rs. 2|- per share, i.e. the share of Rs. 10|- will be issued at Rs. 6|- on which Rs. 4|- will be paid as capital and Rs. 2|- as premium, leaving an unpaid liability of Rs. 6|- per share. The Directors have further resolved to offer to the public such shares as may not be taken up by the existing shareholders on the same terms and condition as above. Further particulars may be had from Messrs. R. R. Nabar & Co., Share & Stock Brokers, Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay, who have agreed to underwrite the shares that may not be taken up by the existing shareholders.

By Order of the Board,
PRATAP PANDIT & CO.,
Managing Agents.
Bombay, dated the 6th March, 1945. (2511)

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BOMBAY-SIND

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED by 23-4-45 for the post of ASSISTANT DISEASE INVESTIGATION OFFICER (SHEEP AND GOATS), BOMBAY. PAY.—Rs. 200-15-275 plus war allowance. AGE.—Not below 21 and ordinarily not above 30 years on 1-7-45, except for Bombay Government servants. QUALIFICATIONS.—Graduate of Veterinary College with advanced post-graduate training and experience of research work in animal diseases. Application form supplied on receipt of large addressed envelope with 3½ annas postage stamps and UNCROSSED Indian Postal Order for Re. 1|- payable to "Secretary, Bombay-Sind Public Service Commission", Bombay, who will supply full details on request. 2505

KOLHAPUR STATE MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

WANTED LADY SUPERINTENDENT for Shri Padmaraje Maternity Home in the grade of Rs. 400-20-600, with benefits of provident fund on confirmation. Private practice in obstetrics allowed according to rules, provided it does not interfere with official duties. Candidates with high post graduate qualifications in Midwifery and with at least five years recognised hospital experience will be considered. Candidates without post-graduate qualification and possessing long experience in midwifery will be considered in the grade of Rs. 250-10-400. Free unfurnished quarters or 10% of pay in lieu.

Wanted MATRON with wide experience as Sister of a General Hospital in the grade of Rs. 150-10|2-200, with free unfurnished quarters, free washing, Rs. 20|- as Mess and Rs. 10|- as uniform allowance per month. She will be in charge of the A. E. Hospital and attached hospitals. She will have to do administrative work pertaining to Nursing Department in addition to teaching work.

Applications should be sent to the Chief Medical Officer, Kolhapur State, on or before 15th April, 1945, stating name in full, age, domicile, caste, qualifications and experience with copies of at least three recent testimonials. The posts will be on probation for one year. Candidates, if called for interview, will have to travel at their own expense. (2522)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. MOTILAL MOHANDAS has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client. Any person or persons having any right, title and interest, claim or demand upon or in respect of the said property by way of sale, gift, transfer trust, inheritance, maintenance, share, mortgage, lease, lien charge, possession easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at 77 Medows Street, Fort, Bombay within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to any such claim and the same if any will be considered as waived.

ALL that piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being at Santa Cruz Mouje (Danda) Taluka South Salsette, Bombay Suburban District, Sub-District of Bandra, admeasuring about 2425 Square Yards or thereabouts being a portion or a part of a larger piece of land admeasuring 4440 Square Yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue and in the Records of Rights of Danda as being part of Final Plot No. 81 of Santa Cruz Town Planning Scheme No. II and bounded as follows: that is to say, on or towards the East by the property of C. Kasturchand, on or towards the West by the Linking Road now known as Dadabhoy Road on or towards the North by Saraswati Road and on or towards the South by the property of Monghibai, wife of Madhavdas Charandas, admeasuring about 2425 Square Yards according to last Conveyance but 2500 according to the Collector's Rent Roll.

Dated this 15th day of March, 1945.

SASTRI & CO.
Purchaser's Attorneys. 2521

LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION
Suit No. 91 of 1943

PRANLAL MOTILAL ..... Plaintiff
Vs.
KEKHUSHRU JEHANGIRSHAH KOHIYAR .... Defendant

PURSUANT to the Decree Absolute for Sale, dated the 14th day of August, 1944, the following immovable property will be sold by Public Auction by the Commissioner of this Honourable Court at the site of the Premises at Balu Sarang Street on TUESDAY, 10th April, 1945, at 4-30 P. M. (S. T.).

PARTICULARS

ALL that piece of land of the perpetual Fazandari tenure at and on the Western side of Baloo Sarang Street also known as Bhusari Mohalla Bombay, admeasuring (90) Ninety square yards or thereabouts bearing Collector's New Survey No. 2085, Cadastral Survey No. 543 of Mandvi Division with the dwelling house and structures thereon bearing Municipal B Ward No. 144, Street No. 42.

For further particulars and conditions of Sale, application should be made at the office of the said Commissioner or at the office of Messrs. Thakordas and Madgavkar Attorneys for the Plaintiff abovenamed at Fort Chambers, Dean Lane, Fort, Bombay.

Dated this 24th day of February, 1945.

ARMAND F. SEQUEIRA,
Commissioner. (2504)

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that KHADIJABAI, wife of Mahomed Ali Fateh Ali Roowalia has contracted to sell to our client the property more particularly described in the Schedule hereunder written.

ALL PERSONS having any claim whatsoever against the said property are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 121, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO

ALL that piece or parcel of land of Quit and Ground rent tenure (since redeemed) containing by admeasurement 190 square yards or thereabouts and registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under Laughton's Survey No. 4034, Cadastral Survey No. 1387 of Byculla Division and together with the messuages and tenements or building standing thereon assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under E Ward No. 396, Street No. 33 and bounded as follows:—that is to say, on the EAST by a public passage, on WEST by TANK STREET, on NORTH by the property of Haji Wahedina Ebrahim and on SOUTH by the property of Mulla Jafferjee Hasanali.

Dated this 13th day of March, 1945.

CAPTAIN & VAIDYA.
Purchaser's Attorneys. 2507

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Messrs. ISHWARLAL MANCHHUBHAI, RATILAL MANCHHUBHAI and CHIMANLAL MANCHHUBHAI, the Trustees appointed under the Deed of Settlement dated 15th day of May 1939 made between the said Mr. Ishwarlal Manchhubhai of the one part and the Trustees of the other part, have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client. All persons having any claim of any sort against the said property are requested to notify the same in writing to the undersigned within 14 days in default, the claim, if any, will be deemed to have been waived and sale completed.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

All that piece or parcel of land or ground of Pension and Tax Tenure (since redeemed) situate lying and being at Parbhadevi Road Cadell Road in the City of Bombay containing by admeasurement 1200 square yards or thereabouts being Collector's Old Nos. 52,278,279 and 284, New Nos. 3575, B|3576 and 3967, Old Survey No. 549, New Survey No. 2B|1748 and 5|1748 and bearing Cadastral Survey No. 1059 and 1060|2 Lower Parel Division and bearing Municipal G Ward Nos. 2831 and 2833 and 2832 and Street Nos. 296-298 and 419 Cadell Road and Parbhadevi Road.

Dated this 15th day of March, 1945.

AMBUBHAI & DIWANJI,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
Lentin Chambers,
Dalal Street,
Fort, Bombay. (2523)

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mrs. MEHRAN EDULJEE BILLIMORIA of Poona Parsi Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned properties to my client free from all incumbrances.

All persons having any claim, interest or demand whatsoever against, or to the said properties or any part thereof by way of inheritance, sale, gift, mortgage, lease, lien, charge, trust, partition, maintenance, easement, possession, assignment or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at his office at 505, Kalbadevi Road, Bombay within fourteen days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without regard to such claims and the same, if any, will be considered to have been waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTIES

All those pieces or parcels of land situated in the Khoti Village of Kanjur, Taluka South Salsette, Bombay Suburban District, Registration Sub-District Bandra bearing the following descriptions:

Survey No.	Pot No.	Paini No.	Area Acs. Gth.
78	4	—	0- 31½
78	8	—	0- 13
78	3	—	0- 16½
78	—	3	0- 8
76	2	—	0- 9¼
78	5	—	0- 11¼
80	3	1	1- 23
80	6	—	0- 6
80	5	—	0- 7
80	—	3	1- 8
81	4	—	0- 27¼
81	Rabi 5	—	0- 8½
81	—	3	0- 1
82	1	—	0- 35¾
82	Rabi 7	—	0- 23
82	—	1	0- 2
82	8	—	0- 2

			Sq. Yds.
81	2	—	2725
81	8	—	
81	6	—	
81	1	—	2783
81	—	1	
81	—	2	
81	7	—	
61	3	—	2839
81	—	2	

Dated this 16th day of March, 1945.

M. S. MUTTANNA.
Purchaser's Advocate. (2520)

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that RAMDAS MADHAVJI, CHATURBHUJ KALIDAS and BHAGWANDAS CHATURBHUJ, all of Bombay Hindoo Inhabitants, the proving Executors of the last Will and Testament of the late Lalji Gokuldas deceased have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our clients.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, exchange, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust maintenance, possession easements or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Lentin Chambers, Dalal Street, within the Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL THAT piece or parcel of land or ground of the Quit and Ground Rent Tenure, the Cess whereon is now redeemed, together with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house standing thereon, situate, lying and being at the junction of Medows Street and Oak Lane, within the Fort of Bombay, in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement (155) One hundred and fifty-five square yards registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under New No. 4926, Laughton's Survey No. 9466, Cadastral Survey No. 88 of Fort Division, and bounded as follows: that is to say, on or towards the East by the Medows Street, on or towards the West by a passage and beyond that by the property of Bibi Khadija Sultan, on or towards the South by the Oak Lane and on or towards the North by the property of Dada Dewraj, and which said premises are assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under "A" Ward No. 1130, Street No. 82, Medows Street and 2-4 Oak Lane.

Dated this 16th day of March, 1945.

AMARCHAND & MANGALDAS,
Purchasers' Attorneys. (2510)

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